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& MONBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
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SEATTLE MARU.....Thursday, 2nd May.
KASADO MARU.....Saturday, 18th May.
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BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

A SHIP'S SALE

FINDING TO BE APPEALED AGAINST

COLLISION DAMAGES

One of four cases which are passing on from the Admiralty Court to the Court of Appeal is that of the "York" which raises a curious question of the stay of a ship at Antwerp, and the length of detention which could be brought into collision damages since, beside using the occasion for repairs there, she had gone to Antwerp, to be delivered to a new owner, says the "Journal of Commerce."

A collision occurred between the Cardiff steamer "Royal City" and the "York" in Barry Docks, on March 12, 1927, and the Cardiff District Registrar made a report on the collision. That was appealed to Mr. Justice Batsford in the Admiralty Court. Mr. Justice Batsford, in the Admiralty Court, the appellants (represented by Messrs. Gilbert, Robertson and Co., Cardiff; London agents, Messrs. W. A. Crump and Son), and Mr. George Langton,

Mr. Langton had further contended that it had never yet been held that a contractual liability to do repairs had the same effect as a physical compulsion to do them owing to a tort, but Mr. Justice Batsford said he was not going to discuss that point; he doubted whether it was sound; at any rate, he decided the case on the simpler view of the matter. The further question of quantum of damages was, he held, not a subject he could interfere with on review, and so he had to find in favour of the respondents as owners of the "Royal City," and there would be judgment accordingly on the appeal for the Cardiff plaintiffs in the collision damages. The appellants are now taking the matter further—to the Court of Appeal.

ELECTRICAL AUXILIARIES

It is now generally realised by ship engineers that the ordinary electric motor and control gear designed and made for use on land is not suitable for ships. The extremely onerous conditions in which electrical machinery has to work on board ship render it imperative to install only motors and control gear which have been specially designed and manufactured for this particular purpose.

I mention a few advantages of direct-current electric motors over steam engines for driving ship auxiliaries, writes Mr. G. J. Scott, R.S.C., M.I.E.E., in the course of an article in "The Motor Ship."

(1) The direct-current electric motor has an extremely large overload capacity for short periods. For winches and windlasses this quality is invaluable. The steam engine has practically no overload capacity. (2) The electric motor is always ready to run at full load, or even overload, at a few seconds' notice; the steam engine only reaches its full speed in the steam which takes time to build up. (3) An electric motor specially designed for shipwork is extremely reliable and mechanically very simple. There is only one moving part, the commutator, and the number of wearing parts are very small compared with those of a steam engine. The renewals are very much less after a few years' running compared with steam engines.

(4) The labour required for maintenance on an electrically equipped ship is very much less than that for a steam-equipped ship. (5) Although the first cost of installation of electrical ship auxiliaries is considerably higher than that of steam auxiliaries, the running cost is proved to be very much lower, particularly in the case of intermittent running machines, such as winches, windlasses, capstans, steering gear, etc. In recent years two independent investigators have proved that the running cost in fuel alone of electric winches is one-seventh that of steam winches.

(6) Electric winch, windlass and steering-gear design has been brought to such a high standard of performance that the electric winch is now as flexible, reliable and robust as a steam drive, while the running and maintenance cost is enormously less. The principal points in the design of electrical gear for ships are—

(1) The insulation of the machines must be of the highest possible standard. It has been found that mica are the only really reliable insulating materials, and a minimum thickness of 50 mils of mica or mica is essential between all "live" conductors and earth.

(2) It is also extremely important that all armatures and coils, after being wound, should be entirely freed from moisture by baking and impregnation in vacuum, followed by a further baking of not less than 24 hours, in order to oxidise and set the varnish. Oil is also extremely important that all armatures and coils, after being wound, should be entirely freed from moisture by baking and impregnation in vacuum, followed by a further baking of not less than 24 hours, in order to oxidise and set the varnish.

(3) For motors and dynamos on board ship the very minimum amount of sheet-iron in the form of covers should be used, or even when painted it is found that the corrode after a few years. Thick cast-iron commutator covers, with ventilation openings well below the centre line and pointing downwards, with similar openings for the bearings, have been found to be the best for engine-room motors. The internal fan used for ventilating the motor must be of sheet-iron, but should be hot-galvanised to prevent corrosion.

(4) It is not considered that totally enclosed motors are necessary below deck so long as ventilated motors are designed as outlined in the foregoing remarks, except in special positions, where, for instance, chloride fumes may be present, where the air may be impregnated with coal-dust, such as in or near boiler-rooms.

Ball bearings have now proved themselves so reliable that they are becoming universal on ship motors. Oiling bearings requires frequent attention, and the filling up with oil is liable to be forgotten and is sometimes difficult owing to the position of the motor. Ball bearings, to be reliable, however, must be made as careful as possible, and the shaft, and therefore removal of the ball bearings from the shaft is to be avoided, it is essential that bearing housings should be made separate from the end bracket, so that the armature may be removed and replaced with its bearings untouched.

The Marine Court which has been investigating the case of the "Gordon" coastal steamer "Annie M. Miller," which foundered off Sydney Heads on the night of February 9 last with the loss of six lives, has found that the vessel foundered because she was overloaded and not properly trimmed. The owners were exempted from blame.

TO MARINERS

UNCHARTED ROCK REPORTED IN SANMUN BAY

An uncharted rock, awash at half tide, has been reported by the Hydrographic Department of the Chinese Navy in the passage between Tatu Island (Cairn Mount) and Cone Island in Sanmun Bay, Chekiang province.

The position of this rock is—
Latitude.....29° 03' 00" N.
Longitude.....121° 48' 02" E.
British Admiralty Chart No. 1769.

EASTERN PORTS

PLAGUE, SMALL-POX, AND CHOLERA

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended April 6, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, gives the following cases, the figures in parenthesis indicating deaths:

Plague: Basselin (1), Rangoon (8), Pnom Penh 1 (1).
Cholera: Basselin (29), Bombay (1), Calcutta (29), Moulemein (1), Rangoon (1), Pondicherry (1), Bangkok 11 (4), Pnom Penh 1 (1), Saigon (1).
Small-pox: Aden 9 (3), Basrah 5 (1), Bombay 86 (45), Calcutta 28 (24), Moulemein 5 (1), Negapatam 2 (1), Rangoon 2, Tuticorin 12, Vizagapatam 14 (3), Pondicherry (1), Macassar 2 (2), Belawan Deli 1, Samarinda 1.

SHIPPING BREVITIES

In connection with the report made during the week that a small boy was drowned when a sampan capsized while H.M.S. "Hermes" was en route to exercise at Lamma Channel, it now transpires that no lives were lost. The lifeboats from the aircraft carrier rescued the occupant, and though at the time it was thought that a boy was missing this was later found to be incorrect.

Repairs to the s.s. "San Nam Hoi," which was recently involved in an up-river collision, are completed, and in all probability she will resume her run from here to Kongsong to-morrow.

While passing Ki Au lights on a trip from Wuchow, the s.s. "Kong Ning" ran into some fishing nets and sustained damage to her propeller. As a result the vessel has gone to the Kwong Tak Chong shipyard at Cheung Sha-wan for repairs.

Shipping masters engaged on the West River run find less difficulty in reaching Wuchow than of late. They report that the river shows signs of rising appreciably.

WARSHIPS HERE

The following men-of-war are at present in the harbour:
North Wall basin, "Cornwall," "North Wall basin," "Petersfield," "East Wall basin," "Dartmouth," "Seamew" and "L3."
North Arm, "Kent."
West Wall Dock, "Francois," "L16," "L17," "L18," "L19," "L20," "L21," "L22," "L23," "L24," "L25," "L26," "L27," "L28," "L29," "L30," "L31," "L32," "L33," "L34," "L35," "L36," "L37," "L38," "L39," "L40," "L41," "L42," "L43," "L44," "L45," "L46," "L47," "L48," "L49," "L50," "L51," "L52," "L53," "L54," "L55," "L56," "L57," "L58," "L59," "L60," "L61," "L62," "L63," "L64," "L65," "L66," "L67," "L68," "L69," "L70," "L71," "L72," "L73," "L74," "L75," "L76," "L77," "L78," "L79," "L80," "L81," "L82," "L83," "L84," "L85," "L86," "L87," "L88," "L89," "L90," "L91," "L92," "L93," "L94," "L95," "L96," "L97," "L98," "L99," "L100," "L101," "L102," "L103," "L104," "L105," "L106," "L107," "L108," "L109," "L110," "L111," "L112," "L113," "L114," "L115," "L116," "L117," "L118," "L119," "L120," "L121," "L122," "L123," "L124," "L125," "L126," "L127," "L128," "L129," "L130," "L131," "L132," "L133," "L134," "L135," "L136," "L137," "L138," "L139," "L140," "L141," "L142," "L143," "L144," "L145," "L146," "L147," 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IMPORTANT DECISION IN
AUSTRALIAN COURT
"MARGINS FOR SKILL"

Chief Justice Dethridge, sitting in the Australian Arbitration Court recently, delivered three judgments in which he fixed the rates of pay and conditions of officers of the Australian mercantile marine. After discussing the principles to be adopted in fixing margins for skill in the case of officers, the learned Judge, who had before him a claim by the Merchant Service Guild and a counter-claim by the Australian Shipowners' Association, promulgated an award which fixed the rates for seagoing passenger vessels as follows: Masters, £27/15/- a month for vessels over 10,000 tons, down to £22/0/6 a month on vessels of 125 tons or under; chief officers, from £25/15/- down to £25/0/6; second officers, from £21/15/- down to £22/0/6; third officers, from £27/15/- down to £21/0/6; fourth or fifth officer, £20/0/6 for all vessels. For seagoing vessels other than passenger ships the rates for masters varied from £25/15/- a month down to £27/12/6 a month, and the rates for other officers corresponded. An ordinary day was assumed to be eight hours, and rates

The question of seamen's wages in Germany has been decided by an arbitrator nominated by the Government. Wages for a period of 12 months from November 1, 1928, have been increased by an average of 9 months. The shipowners rejected the award, whereupon the Government intervened and made it compulsory. Captains were excluded from the assessment, but it was understood that their pay would be increased in like proportion to the pay of the officers. The new scale of pay per month has been fixed as follows, in marks:—The German mark on a gold basis now being equivalent approximately to a shilling:—

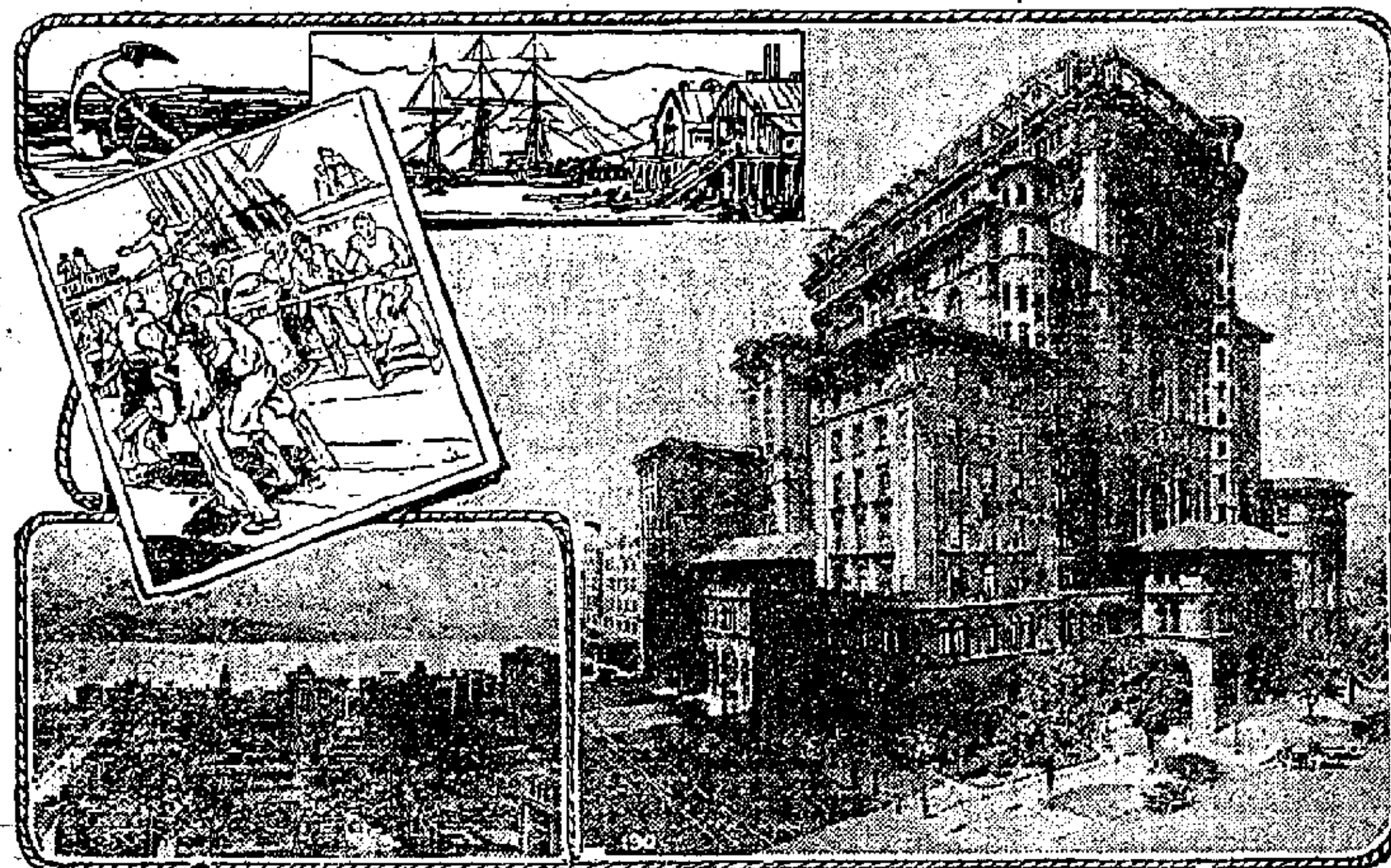
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Now A Sea Music Festival



The Sea Music Festival, January 23-25, was staged in this, the Hotel Vancouver. Inset is a general view of the Pacific Coast City as viewed from the roof garden of the Hotel.

The idea of a Music Festival is not new to Vancouver, but the Festival devoted entirely to sea music, which took place in January, was the first of its kind, and as such attracted widespread attention. There is a vast amount of music connected with the sea, dating back as far as the Song of Miriam, which tradition says was sung to the Children of Israel, on the bank of the Red Sea. Yet somehow no one till now had thought of devoting a whole series of concerts to this subject, and it is a tribute to the growing importance of Vancouver as a world port that the Canadian Pacific Railway, which organised this Festival, should have chosen to locate it here.

It is less than two years ago since the Canadian Pacific experimented with its first Music Festival, which was held at Quebec and dealt with the folk songs preserved by the French-Canadians whose forefathers brought these old songs with them to this country three hundred years ago. That experiment met with such favour that it was repeated on a still more ambitious scale last Spring. Both these Festivals drew many visitors to Quebec from other parts of Canada and from the

United States, the Governor-General showing his interest by going down to attend the celebration by special train. They have had the effect of creating a better understanding of the French-Canadian people, and the lovely old melodies which had hitherto been known mostly in the backwoods of Quebec, are now being sung all over Canada. The leading musicians of this country are realising that priceless heritage.

Following on the Quebec experiment, a Scottish Musical Festival was staged at Banff, in connection with the Highland Gathering. This made such an appeal to the national pride of the Scots that the idea was repeated at the second Festival last September.

At Winnipeg, the Canadian Pacific selected another phase of popular music available in this country, namely, the folk songs of the settlers of Continental European extraction, who are now generally classified as New Canadians. Fifteen racial groups participated, and the demonstrations of folk songs and folk dancing was a revelation to the Anglo-Canadians. One practical result of this Festival is the projected open-air folk museum, for which the City of Winnipeg has declared

its readiness to provide the land on which the various racial groups have offered to build typical peasant cottages in which their handicrafts may be permanently exhibited. Such a Museum would undoubtedly provide Winnipeg with the tourist attraction which at present is admittedly lacking, and would also be the source of everlasting interest and pride to every thoughtful citizen of Canada.

What will result from the Festival at Vancouver remains to be seen. A galaxy of concert stars was supported by a number of local choirs and by the Scottish Symphony Orchestra. John Goss, Jeanne Dusseau, Paul Bai, and the Hart House Quartet, represent but a few of the names that attracted the crowds. Most interesting of all, perhaps, were the Sea Chanties which F. H. Wallace, once a Captain on a Bluenose boat and author of "Wooden Ships and Iron Men" staged. Captain Wallace has collected chauties from sailors on Canadian sailing ships, and can thus give a truly Canadian flavour to those fine old Sea Songs. The Festival, which lasted four days, was under the same direction as the Yuletide Festival which centred around the Empress Hotel at Victoria a month earlier.

for overtime were provided in the award. For officers in the bay, harbor and river services, the Judge made an award fixing a weekly rate for masters and engineers in charge of £7/18/- for vessels of 1,000 tons, down to £5/3/6 for vessels of 15 tons or under. Dealing with the claims of the marine engineers, Chief Judge Dethridge said that the plant of the Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers asked for a minimum rate of pay of £22 a month for junior or fifth engineers. The rate under the existing award was £19/7/6. For higher grades in respect of steamships increased wages running up to £27 a month for vessels of more than 1,200-h.p. were asked. Rates of £29/13/- a month were asked in respect of vessels of from 1,000 to 1,200-h.p. The existing rate for the latter grade was £21/7/6 a month. In the case of motor vessels, which were not specially provided for in the present award, the Institute asked for rates as high as £100/10s. for vessels of more than 1,200-h.p. In the course of the hearing the Institute presented an amended claim, in which it asked for even higher rates.

The judge then fixed the monthly rates to be paid to engineers on vessels driven by steam and of more than 1,200 tons as follows:—Chief or sole engineers, £54/15/-; second engineer, £25/15/-; third engineer, £20/0/6; fourth engineer, £20/0/6; fifth engineer, £20/0/6. The rates diminished until for vessels of 35 tons and less they were £21/10/- for chief or sole engineers. For vessels driven by motor engines a monthly rate of £25/15/- was fixed for chief or sole engineer, and the rates ranged down to £20/0/6 for fifth engineer. For smaller vessels the rates ranged down to £23/2/- for chief engineer for vessels of 35-h.p. and under. Rates were also fixed for refrigerating engineers. All the awards will operate as from January 1, 1929, and will continue for three years.

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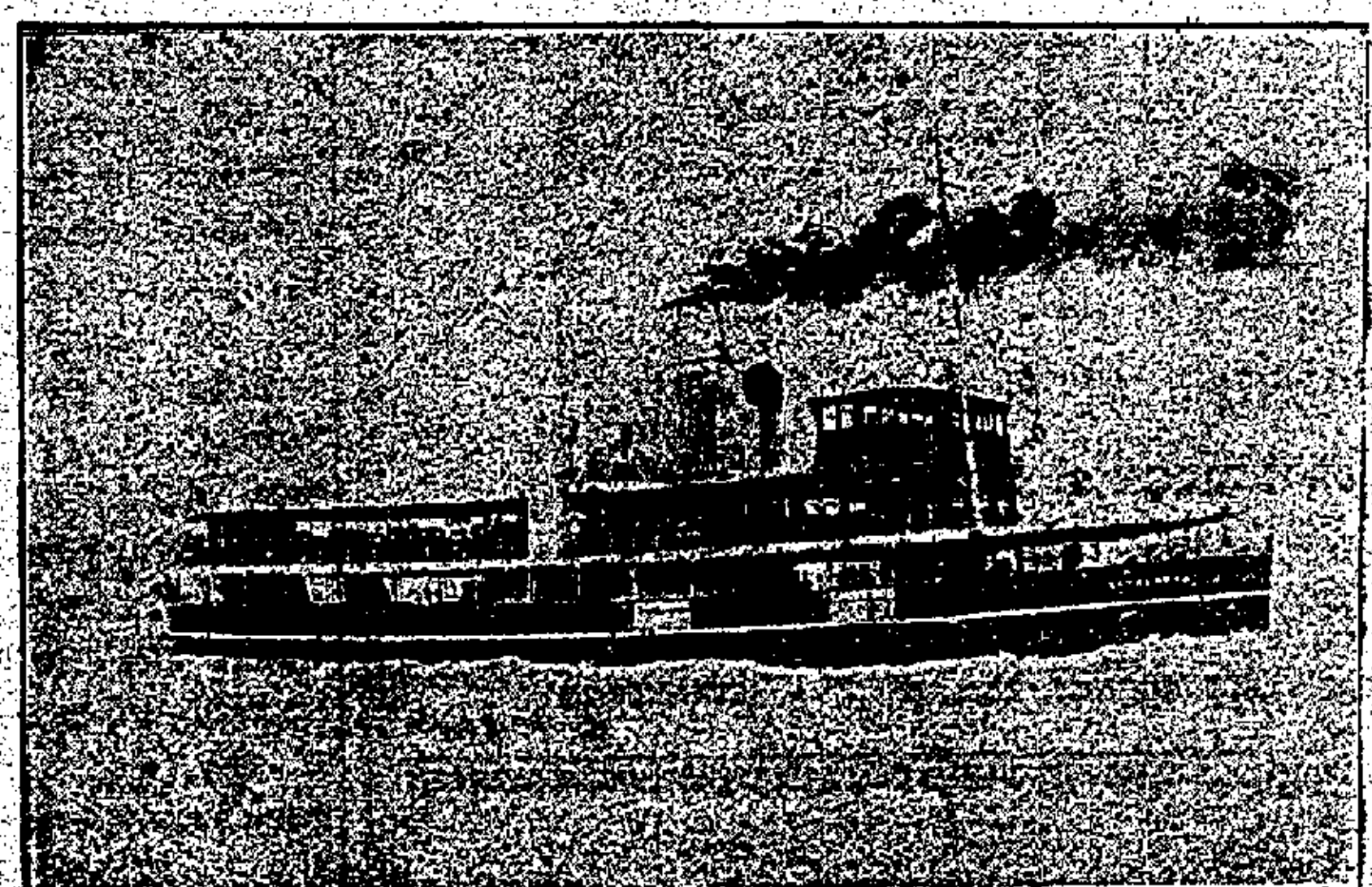
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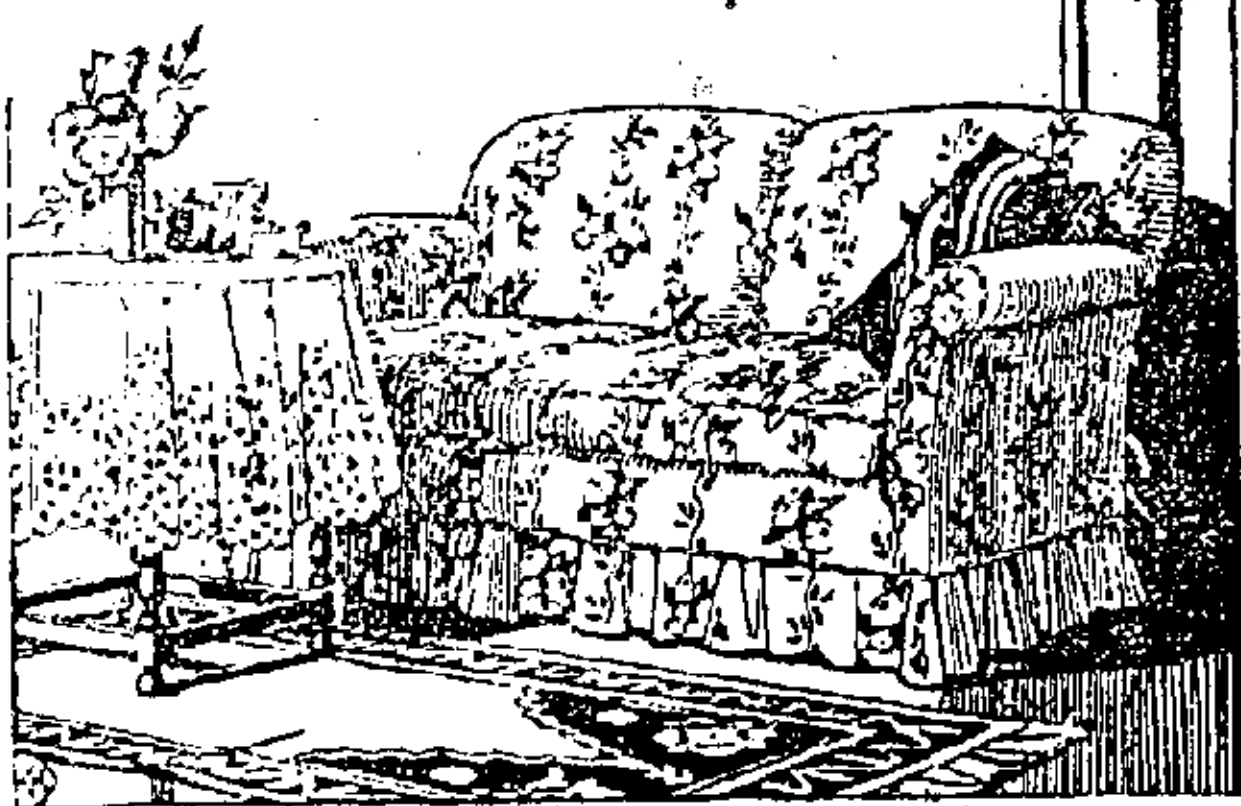
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BIRTH

SELLARS.—On April 12, at the
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George W. Sellars, a daughter.

Hong Kong, Saturday, April 13, 1929.

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Whilst quite a
The Author lot has been said
regarding "The
Dover Road" as a play and as to
the excellent manner in which it
has been played—the final per-
formance takes place in the
Theatre Royal to-night—we
have not observed that much has
been said of the author. He is
well worthy of a more detailed
statement, as he—(Mr. A. A.
Milne)—is undoubtedly one of
the most humorous writers in
Britain to-day. For many years—
week in and week out—his con-
tributions to "Punch," that most
excellent of all humorous period-
icals, delighted thousands, who
never failed to read his scintillat-
ing articles signed "A.A.M." Mr.
Milne wrote on all sorts of sub-
jects and always wrote brilliantly.
From 1906 till 1914 he was
Assistant Editor of "Punch" and
a very valiant right-hand man
he was to his Editor, the genial
Sir Owen Seaman. Mr. Milne, who
is, we believe, a London-Scot, after
being educated at Westminster
School and Trinity College, Cam-
bridge, started in journalism in
London. He was not without ex-
perience as he had edited the re-
markable publication known as
"Granta"—the organ of
Cambridge University under-
graduates. It was a good train-
ing ground for many merry and
bright contributions have ap-
peared and still appear in the
columns of "Granta." From 1915-1919
Mr. Milne was an officer in the
Royal Warwickshire Regiment,
and saw much service in the
European War, at the close of
which he wrote at least one play
touching upon several phases of
the great struggle. That play
was "Belinda," which had a good
run in London and is still occa-
sionally played by amateurs.

In 1910 he wrote
Prose And "The Day's
Verse" Play," in
1912, "The Holi-
day Round," in 1914 "Once a
Week" and "Once on a Time" a
little later. Since the War and
since he relinquished the more
strenuous work of journalism for
that of literature—(if one may
say so without offending Pres-
sage)—Mr. Milne's literary output
has been quite prolific. "Not That
It Matters," "If I May," "Mr.
Pim," "The Red House Mystery,"
"The Sunny Side," "When We
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As to Mr. Milne's plays,
Plays for the above-men-
tioned are either
volumes of prose or
verse—he has written, besides
"The Dover Road," which he
wrote in 1922, "Wuzzle Flum-
mery," "Belinda," "Make-
Believe," "Mr. Pim Passes By,"
"The Romantic Age," "The Truth
About Blayds," "The Great
Brosopp," "Success," "To Have
The Honour," "Ariadne," and
"The Ivory Door." These, be-
sides his innumerable articles for
"Punch," make a most creditable
output, and as Mr. Milne is still
comparatively young—only 47—
he will yet, we hope, go on writ-
ing more "Dover Roads" and
similar plays for the Hong Kong
A.D.C. to produce for us here.

Former Water
Famine
Enough may
have been said
and written
about the
water problem of the Island, but
it should not be out of place to
recall an incident of interest that
occurred during a water shortage
some thirty years ago. The prob-
lem that the administrators of
that particular period were faced
with was similar to the one ob-
taining at present, the only dif-
ference being that to-day we have
a supply for seventy days, while
in the olden days the supply was
exhausted with rather alarming
results. One thing only was pos-
sible and only one thing remained
to be done. All the water that
had been stored up had disappeared,
partly through evaporation
but mainly, of course, in meeting
the demand of the population, and
yet all had to have water. So
that necessary liquid was obtain-
ed from the islands dotted about
Hong Kong. Water-boats were
chartered for the purpose, and
were run continually to such
waterfalls and small rivers that
had permanent sources. And
only by this unique method was
that particular drought, which
luckily did not last many weeks,
conquered. When the long delay
of rain eventually fell, then, of
course, the water-boats were no
longer required for the purpose
of bringing water to local resi-
dents, and they were taken off the
run. Since that time the proce-
dure has never had to be repeated,
the much needed rain seeming al-
ways to fall in time to avert that
We wonder if this year we will
have to do the same as was
done three decades ago. Perhaps
the Water Authority is quite
pleased with the fractional down-
fall on Thursday and is already
slumbering peacefully!

A poser has
been set the
Lacquer
"China Mail" by
a reader who has
been commissioned by a friend
at Home to buy some lacquer
ware. The reader wants to
know what is a fair price to pay
and how to be able to tell good
stuff from the bad. Without the
object and information as to the
buyer's wishes, it is not possible
to give satisfaction. But the
following information, from
Bushell's "Chinese Art" (vol. 1)
will always prove handy should
one ever be interested in the sub-
ject. There are no exact records
of the origin in China of lacquer
though the art can be traced to
the Sung Dynasty. The medium
used is lac, obtained mainly
from the lac tree (Rhus vernice-
fera), chi shu (toot shu in Can-
tonese), cultivated in the centre
and south of China. The white re-
sinous sap which becomes black
on exposure to air is drawn from
the tree during summer months,
collected and brought to market
in a semi-fluid state or in cakes.
It is then ground and pressed
through hempen cloth and made
into a viscous fluid.

The lac is first
prepared and
coloured. Then
it is applied with
spatula and brush
in successive layers to the sur-
face, varying from three to
eighteen, each layer being dried
before the next is added; finally
the lacquered surface is orna-
mented with painted designs, or
carved before it has cooled.
Wood is the usual groundwork.
Yellow transparent lacquer con-
tains gamboge; an amber lacquer
contains pigs' gall and vegetable
oil; the best red lacquer is made
by grinding cinabar with the
raw lac; black lacquer contains
iron sulphate or charcoal; golden
yellow is prepared by adding
powdered gold; silvery white, by
adding silver dust, etc.

Chinese lacquer
is divided into
two kinds—
painted and
carved.
(for tsat in Cantonese) and car-
ved, tsao chi (tsat tsat in Canton-
ese). Canton and Foochow pro-
duce painted lacquer. Carved
lacquer, chiefly a vermilion red,
is made at Peking and Soochow,
but nothing of importance has
been produced at either place
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kinds are sometimes inlaid with

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precious stones or mother-of-
pearl. The art reached its cul-
mination under Chien Lung (A.D.
1735 to 1795) but it has always
been inferior to that of Japan,
which learnt it from China.
Bushell states!

Commercialising
Sport?

The frequent
outbreak of
rowdiness at
football
matches in the Colony is a mat-
ter to be deplored. It was only
last Saturday that the soldiers
and the Chinese had a clash
again, and in the melee, we un-
derstand, a Chinese spectator had
his head broken. Soccer, a man-
ly game, should be played in a
manly and sporting manner. This,
however, will be impossible as
long as it continues to be a
money-making machine for the
various Clubs and Associations.
To say that football is not be-
ing commercialised in Hong Kong
would probably raise a cynical
smile from some. We have only
to look at the exorbitant price we
have to pay before gaining ad-
mittance into the stands; not
only so, we have also to humble
ourselves and smile ingratiating-
ly at the officials just as if they
had done us a great favour. On
looking back, we find that foot-
ball used to promote healthy and
friendly rivalry among the Clubs
here about ten years ago. In
those days there was no such
thing as gate receipts. The
game was played for the game's
sake. To-day the game is played
to please one's supporters. So
many thousand people pay their
dollar to see their favourite team
win, and this eleven can do no-
thing else but win, even, some-
times, 'tis to be feared, at the
sacrifice of their good name as
sportsmen. Experience has
taught that wherever there are
gate receipts, there is bound to
be trouble. It is therefore time
that the various Clubs paid their
own way from the members'
subscriptions and bar charges
without having to depend on gate
receipts. If money is required to
entertain visiting teams, this can
easily be raised by charging a
nominal entrance price at one or
two games.

If there is an age limit for
work, Henry Ford has not found
it, he recently said. He says he
expects to "do more in the next
five years than he has in the last
twenty." Asked how much money
he had lost in making the change
from the model T to the model A
car, Mr. Ford replied: "We can't
lose what doesn't belong to us.
The profits we made on fifteen
million model T cars was not our
money. The public paid it to us.
The money profits came from the
people and we look upon them
simply as a public trust which
must be put back into the manu-
facture of something that will
help men and women to better and
more productive lives."—"Wash-
ington (D.C.) Post."

Colonel D. McHaskard and Mr.
and Mrs. Bowes Smith arrived
yesterday from Shanghai.
Major-General Wardrop arriv-
ed in the Colony, en route to Bri-
tain by the s.s. "Naldera" to-day.

A Church Parade will be held at
the St. Andrew's Church, Kow-
loon, to-morrow, when the 2nd
Hong Kong Troop of Boy Scouts
will parade.

The list of members and asso-
ciates of the Royal Sanitary Insti-
tute appointed this month in-
cludes the name of Mr. James
Ivor Barnes, Hong Kong, as an
Associate.

On Tuesday, the Hon. Sir H. E.
Pollock will address a meeting in
the Cathedral Hall, on "The
Essentials of Christianity as
taught by Christ." The lecture
will commence at 6.15 p.m.

Mr. George Mollison, the oldest
member of the staff of the
Shanghai Waterworks Co., and
formerly of Hong Kong, has re-
tired after 30 years' service.
While stationed here he joined
the waterworks section of the
Public Works Department but
eight years later he left for
Shanghai.

The appointment of Mr. T. N.
Chau (Chau Tsun-nin), M.A.,
barrister-at-law, the son of the
late Mr. Chau Siu-ki (some time
Unofficial member of the Legisla-
tive Council) to be a member of
the Sanitary Board for three
years in place of Hon. Dr. S. W.
Tso, O.B.E., LL.D., which was an-
nounced this week, has been
gazetted.

The famous Dutch-Irish com-
bination of the stage has entered
motion pictures in First Na-
tional's War comedy, "Lost at the
Front," with George Sidney up-
holding the Dutch (or German)
in one featured role, and Charlie
Murray the Irish in another. This
film will be shown at all sessions
at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon,
to-day.

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SMALLER NAVIES
VIEWS OF CHIEF BRITISH
DELEGATE

RATHER PESSIMISTIC

London, Yesterday.
Lord Cushendun, who left for
Geneva to-day as the chief
representative on the Pre-
paratory Disarmament Com-
mission, interviewed by Reuters, said
that he had no official informa-
tion of any United States sugges-
tions or proposals in the direction
indicated in newspaper reports
from America.

He could only say he was quite
willing to listen to all Mr. Hugh
Gibson (the United States repre-
sentative) might have to say, and
to explore the ground.

As regards the preliminary
disarmament meeting, Lord
Cushendun did not think the pros-
pects of agreement very rosy,
but he in no wise despaired of get-
ting a move on, though nobody
quite saw how it was to be done.

It did not in the least follow,
however, that because a number
of proposals had not proved ac-
ceptable to everybody, that some
other method might not be follow-
ed.

Hope in America

London, Yesterday.

Enquiry in well-informed quar-
ters in London shows that the at-
mosphere conveyed by reports
from the United States with re-
gard to naval disarmament is dis-
tinctly hopeful, and if the result
of the Preparatory Disarma-
ment Commission is that some-
thing more definite should be
evolved with regard to naval or
other disarmament, the British
Government will certainly receive
it in the most friendly and hope-
ful spirit.—Reuters.

NAVAL DISASTER

OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE
CASUALTIES

SEARCH FOR MISSING

Tokyo, Yesterday.
It is officially stated that the
casualties in yesterday's mine-
laying disaster are 52, of whom
seven were instantaneously killed,
three have since died, three are
missing, five are seriously in-
jured, seven are not so seriously
hurt, and 27 are slightly injured.

The cause of the disaster is
still under investigation, and de-
tails are withheld from publica-
tion, though it is reported the
vessel's stern is wrecked beyond
recognition.

It is believed the explosion was
due to the inadvertent turning of
an electric switch, resulting in a
premature explosion of a mine.
Aeroplane and launches are
still searching at the scene of the
disaster for the missing sailors.—
Reuters.

It was officially announced at
Tokyo on April 11 that seven
naval students were killed and
thirty injured as the result of a
mine exploding aboard a mine-
layer. The disaster occurred at
the Tokosuka Naval Base whilst
practice operations were being
carried out.

LOST LIQUOR

"TM ALONE'S" OWNERS TO
CLAIM \$250,000

OUTRAGE SEQUEL

Ottawa, Yesterday.
According to a local newspaper
the owners of the "Tm Alone" in-
tend to claim \$250,000 as com-
pensation from the United States.
The report states that the
liquor aboard the "Tm Alone"
was worth \$150,000.—Reuters.

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FOOTBALL VICTORY.—The No. 11 Platoon ("C" Company) team, winners of the inter-Platoon Soccer Cup in the competition of the 2nd Batt. the King's Own Scottish Borderers.—(K. Fujiyama).



ROSARY CHURCH WEDDING.—In Kowloon, last Sunday, of Mr. C. V. F. da Roza and Miss Eulalia Maria Hyndman. Dr. V. Atienza (on left) and Mr. V. Gonsalves were the groomsmen. The bridesmaids were the Misses C. Hyndman, T. Gonsalves, G. Roza and A. Roza. The reception was held in the Club de Recreio, King's Park, where the above photo was taken.



CHINA LIGHT & POWER RECREATION CLUB.—Children enjoying themselves at the "at Home" held at King's Park, last Sunday. The Club is very keen on the entertainment of kiddies.—(K. Fujiyama).



OPEN SINGLES.—M. W. Lo (right), who beat E. C. Fincher in four sets in the semi-final, at the H.K.C.C. annual tennis tournament.—(K. Fujiyama).



POLICE INSPECTION.—H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) on right, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King (Captain Superintendent) at left, and Capt. F. G. Sillitoe, R.M., A.D.C., in foreground.—(A. Fong).



"HOT RICHIE."—And his two "flames," at the athletic sports of the 1st Batt. the Somerset Light Infantry at Shamshuipo.—(K. Fujiyama).



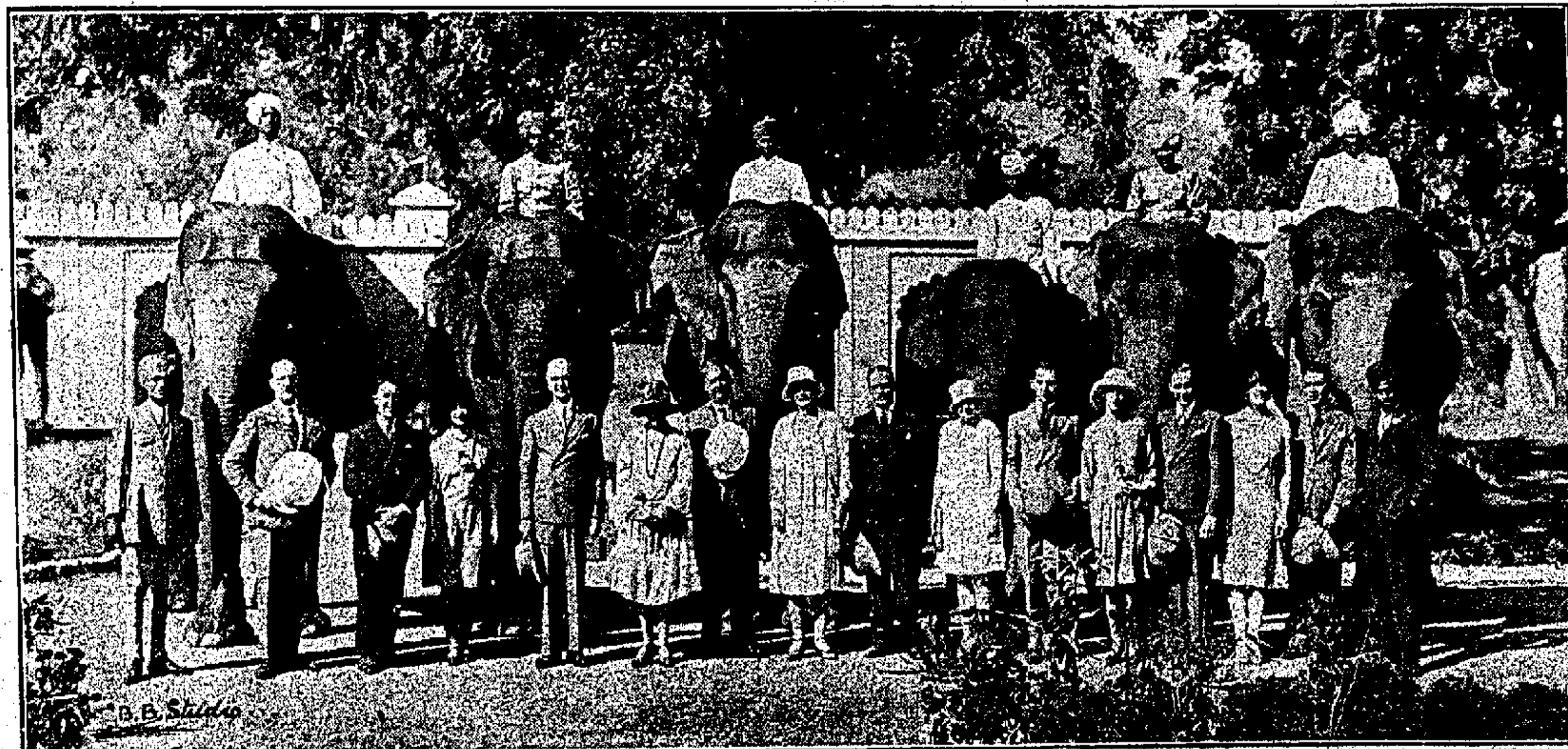
GOVERNOR OF MACAO.—H.E. Senhor Barbosa (on left) on board the "President Monroe," sailing from Hong Kong on furlough.—(K. Fujiyama).



PLAYING AT THE RACES.—The Band of the 2nd Battalion the King's Own Scottish Borderers, under Bandmaster W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., at the Jockey Club extra meeting.—(K. Fujiyama).



"DR. BRYDEN."—Hero of an Afghan War episode, portrayed at the athletic sports of the 1st Batt. the Somerset Light Infantry, whose badge is superscribed "Jellalabad."—(K. Fujiyama).



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MODERN PARTIES

BRILLIANT HOSTESSES OF LONDON TOWN

WELDING FORCES

"Modern parties, if they do not happen to possess a brilliant hostess, can become depressing and gloom-ridden functions," said Miss Margery Lawrence in an interview with a "Daily Mail" representative. We were discussing this question in the novelist's study, which was hung with her own sharply defined pictures and a vivid piece of Chinese embroidery.

"A good hostess ought to be a welding force. We guests do so very little for ourselves. Think of a Victorian party. Congregated in the drawing-room—which we may rightly condemn as itself being a rather gloomy apartment—were guests who could play the piano and warble their little arias for one another's delectation. That made things easier for the hostess. To-day, brought up on gramophone and wireless, we are unable to contribute to the evening's entertainment except by talking.

"Myself, I like nothing better than a party where there is good talk. I should like to see a revival of the 18th century salon. But such parties depend perhaps more than others (for a good hand can make a good dance) on the personality of the women who give them.

In Desultory Groups

"I went recently to a party to which many interesting people, with plenty of ideas and the gift of discussing them, had been invited. But this, like several others, split up into desultory, ill-assorted groups and somehow managed to stay there. The hostess seemed to lack the personality to pull the whole thing together, to make the guests talk.

"Not that a hostess should, as the older novelists used to say, 'move graciously from group to group.' The party need not be a formal reception. Another function 'flopped' because the hostess, far from being lazy like the first, rushed busily round like a little brown hen and 'fussed' her guests into stagnation.

Let the Fun Be Spontaneous

"No good hostess obviously 'organises' her party. The fun should all be apparently spontaneous. An example of how not to run a party was afforded recently by a host at a large and distinguished dinner which lasted from 8 to 12. When conversation flagged he would say, 'Now, Mr. So-and-so, do tell some of your famous yarns.' Naturally, guests thus addressed will relapse into an embarrassed silence, instead of scintillating as they ought.

"In the invitations a certain casualness is to be recommended. Enormous and formal cards have a chilling effect on prospective guests. The most successful

For Wear Now



The fashionable check walking suit in black, grey and white check with coat edged with black braid. Note the marish effect of the hip-pockets, and the return of the "tucked-in" blouse, a new feature with present day modes. The skirt fitting black felt hat—a style that still retains its popularity—completes a chic costume. Specially designed by "Ninette," of London.

parties I have been to recently were informal, after-theatre gatherings, to which I was invited usually by telephone.

"The vogue for conversational parties has of course, certain difficulties. A sustained conversation is, unless one has the gift of talk, something of a strain on the intellect.

Straining After Effect

"Women guests, while they are often the life and soul of a party, betray this strain more than the men. Dull men have the sense to sit still and emit a remark at intervals, so that they give a cryptic impression of profound depths. A dull woman, on the contrary, will flounder about in a conversational morass rather than remain silent and obscure.

"But there will be little fear of dullness where people have the courage to be what they are. Simplicity is far more successful than the most complex posing. Why don't women realise it?"

LONDON FASHIONS

THE "THREE-PIECE" VOGUE OF IVORY

A WEEK-END PROBLEM

Gay colours in weave and wool-stitchery are pleasant and permissible in the real country wardrobe. Although such dress factors may sound quite simple, the question of packing exactly the right thing in the week-end case is never really easy. Behind the jolly colours, correct cut, and suitable fabrics there must exist the subtle knowledge of detail. It is most rare to discover the woman who can eliminate half of her first selection; so often too many "extras" spoil the dress-scheme.

Yet there must be exactly the right accessories to complete the sports outfit, the general travel, or motor, ensemble, with the necessary dinner and dancing dresses, and possibly smoking-suit or boudoir-wrap as well.

Simplicity should be aimed at, and recollect that simplicity of the best is always expensive! The "best goods in smallest parcels" is an old-world maxim that certainly applies to the "Friday-till-Monday" packing!

Jewels will be taken for the week-end party, and the best only, be it a string of pearls or a sports necklace worn with travel kit. The diamond chain, corsage piece (real or imitation) and bracelet should be packed. Such trifles do not take up much room and have the knack of suiting most evening toilettes. An exotic bauble may also be put in to complete the smoking suit or fantastic wrap. A metal trinket or so can be part of the wool ensemble.

Other important accessories include the sports shoes, wool stockings, and a couple of gay wool socks.

The belt of kid or leather can have metal buckle to match a strap of the same on a tweed or felt sports hat, that in its turn matches necktie or scarf. A fur-tie may be preferred for the regulation "tailleur" of tweed, cloth, or serge. A shirt or a tuck-in blouse of silk or fine flannel mixture can now be packed, in addition to a pull-over jersey or cardigan. There may be an extra sports handbag or pochette to suit a scarf, in addition to the travelling one. The evening bag must be there, and possibly the fur fichu or shawl, in case the wearer does not possess the newer dinner coat.

Flowers are among extras that are not now so much worn in the evening except for ball dresses. On the other hand, there is the neat tailored button-hole of wool, metal, and leather flowers. Ivory and metal are also interesting; in fact, the trifle box or basket for the week-end must generally be added to the small travelling jewel-case of to-day. I mention box or basket advisedly, as such de-

Hostessing in the Modern Mode



Everybody who's anybody now receives her guests in hostess pajamas. And what could be more appropriate than the above ensemble, consisting of three-quarter length cloth of gold jacket trimmed with luscious sable; blouse of Nile green, girdled lacy fashion, and topped off, as it were, with very ample trousers of emerald green transparent velvet.

tails to complete the day, evening, or sports ensembles must present a fresh front, or as smart accessories they will prove a dismal failure, says Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester in the "Daily Telegraph."

A gay and pleasing three-piece—sporting enough, and yet not too "outré"—has two admirable shades in the new greens and a fawn touch represent the colour scheme. The cleverly pleated skirt and plain cardigan are in dark green cashmere-stitched with a lighter shade of silk. The woven wool jumper is in the tones of green, flecked with fawn. A scarf of silk and wool is also of beige, whereas the hat of green felt has petersham points of the fawn silk.

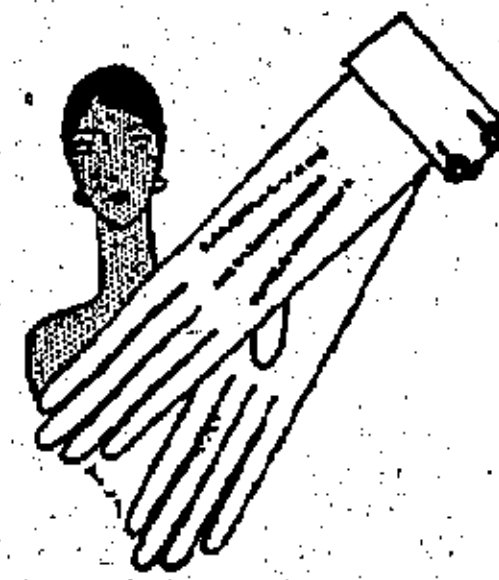
So smart, yet so simple, is a new tailored example of one of the latest favourites in spring suits of an iron-grey Melton cloth. The short reefer coat and flat, partially pleated skirt are attached and pressed on the most approved of tailored lines, and a neat tie of Russian sable completes the outfit.

Ivory Ornaments

I confess to be grateful for the ivory craze. The rich shadings of ivory are far more attractive than the modern metal beads that are so often mixed with other coloured stones. Flowers of ivory were used as brooches and ornaments in the "eighties"; umbrella-handles and bag-tops were then made out of exquisite ivories, some of which were very beautifully carved; ear-rings and a large brooch of ivory were considered a correct choice with the festooning and bustle draperies of the puce-silks of the austere Victorian dames! The modern maid adds

the cigarette and vanity-case in carved ivory, some of which are decorated with lovely reproductions from Persian and Chinese works of art. Enamels are treated in similar fashion, and suggest some exquisite colour-schemes.

For real sports clothes, the narrow necklet of beaten bronze and copper, linked charms of dull gold, silver, or platinum may possibly be more in keeping with tweed and leather. All such trifles, in any case, add interest to country clothes, but the well-

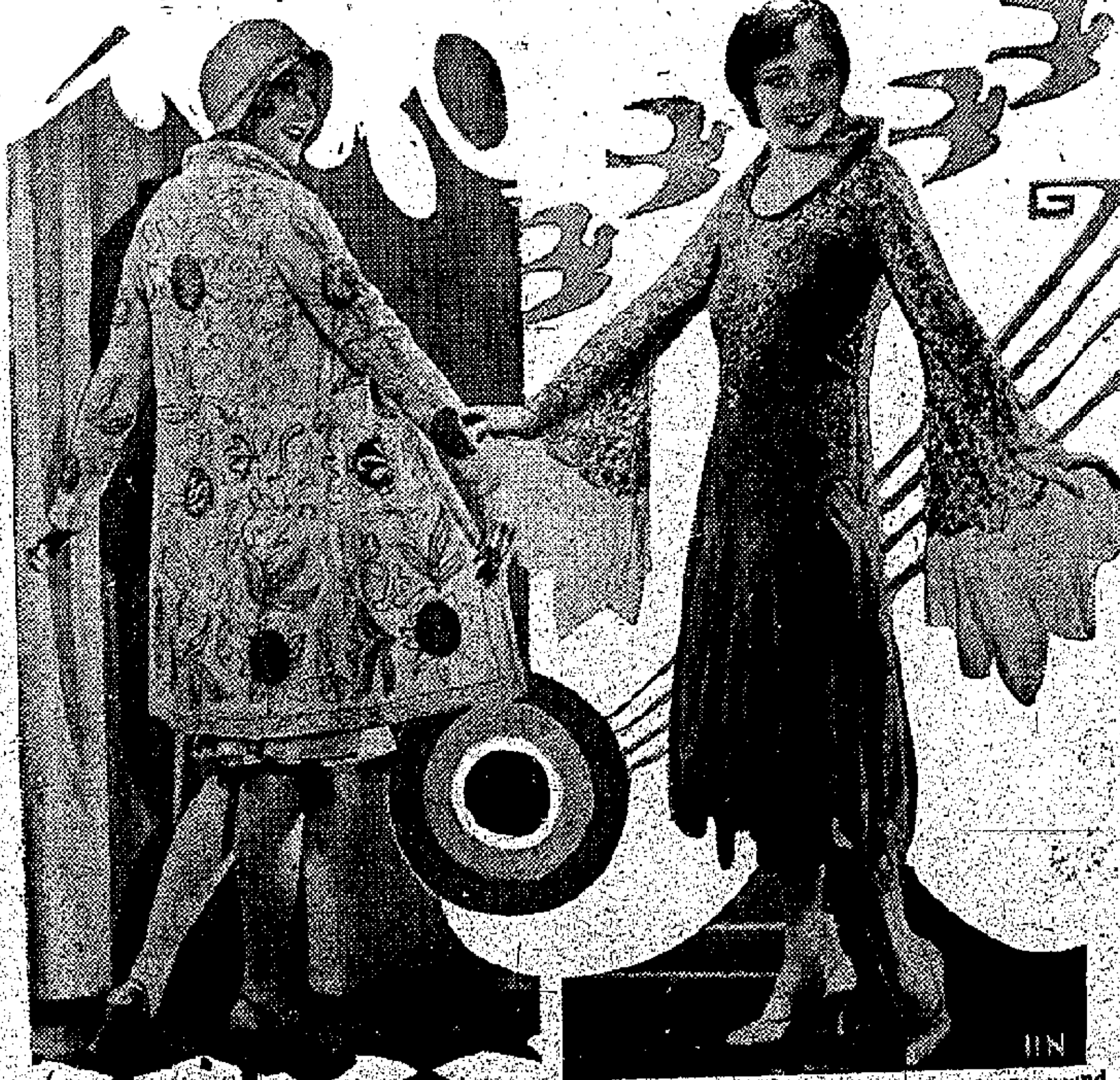


Smart and serviceable gloves for ladies' wear now

dressed woman will exercise restraint in the wearing of novelties of this nature.

The coiffure question is equally difficult. In the country especially, the permanent wave is very slight, flat, neat hair being best for sport. Still, there are chignons for the riding hats, and these (mostly consisting of a strip of curls) can also be cleverly adapted to any country headgear. Anyhow, the week-end guest can arrive by train and car in a close-fitting cloth or swathed cap, with a glimpse of a curl round the back and ears!

Chic Styles Combine Charm and Usefulness



It's going to be a gay season for both sexes this spring, what with costumes that are bound to appeal to the masculine eye and guaranteed to make feminine eyes green with envy. But judge for yourself from the models shown above in which Sally Blane displays two of the very springy costumes. On the left is a very fetching street costume of lavender, peacock with a coat embroidered in pastel shades of yarn. The dainty hat completes the costume, and brings Paris right to Hong Kong. At the right is one of the striking new dinner frocks that have been promised for this season. This one is of light blue and white, with an elaborate design of sequins on the bodice. The voluminous skirt and picturesque duchess collar combine to make a gown that will attract all eyes in the smartest of restaurants.

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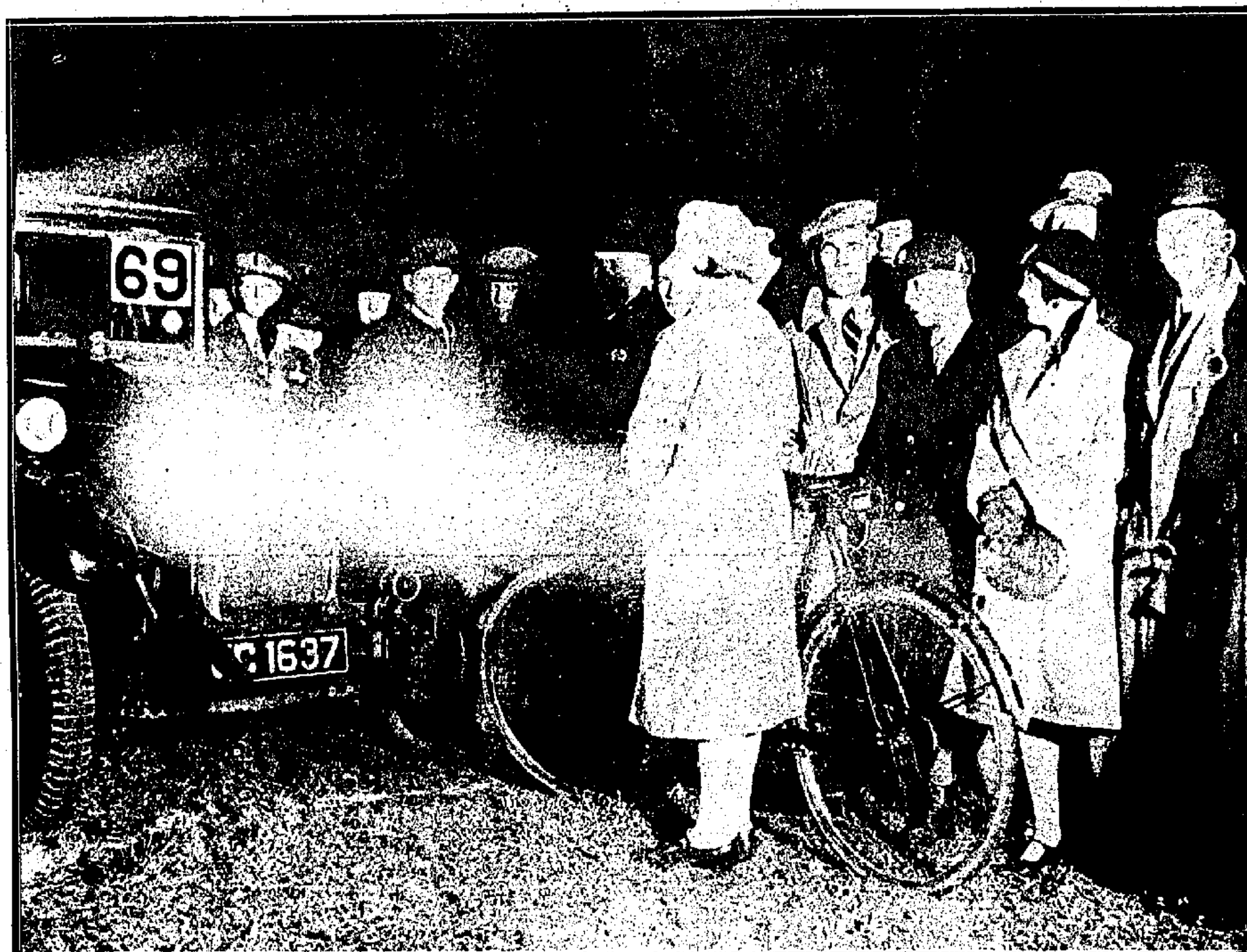
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A WONDERFUL RECORD.—Lt. Gen. Sir David Campbell (in tartan), Commander-in-Chief, who is 60 years of age, taking a fence on his "Exchange II" (No. 5) in the Aldershot Command Chargers' Cup, in which he finished 2nd. He won the Grand National on "Soarer" 33 years ago. A large crowd attended the Aldershot bona-fide military steeplechase meeting and witnessed some excellent racing.—(Sport and General).



DISTINGUISHED GATHERING.—His Holiness the Pope holding an audience of the Diplomatic Corps at the Vatican, Rome, in connection with the recently signed Lateran Treaty. Pope Pius XI is seen with the Diplomatic Corps on either side at the Vatican.—(Sport and General).



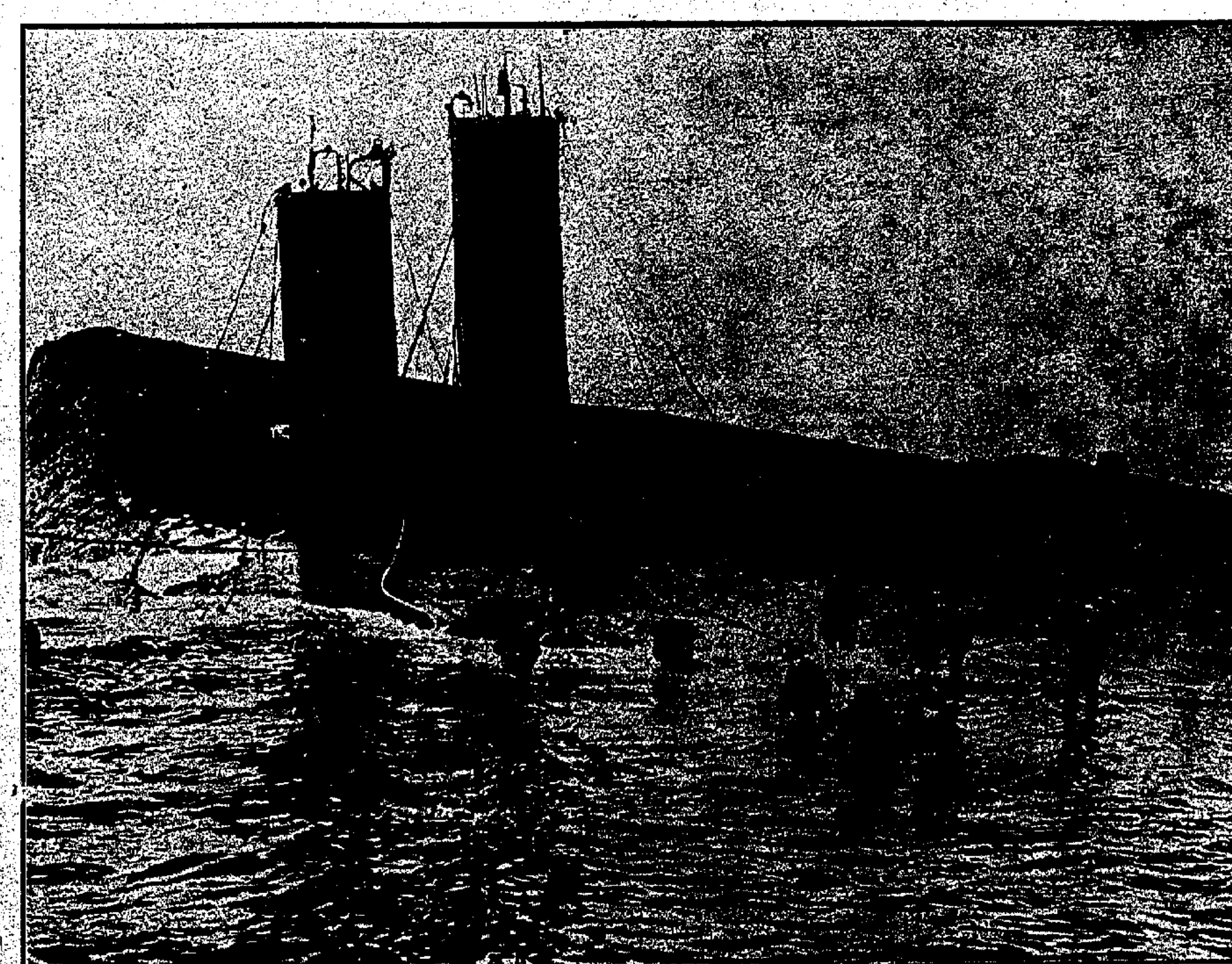
BIG PROBLEM OF NIGHT MOTORING.—A test of anti-dazzle devices. About 150 inventors demonstrated anti-dazzle and automatic car signalling devices to an interested crowd in Richmond Park, Surrey, under the auspices of the Royal Automobile Club and at the request of the Minister of Transport. There has been considerable development in the design and use of such indicators lately, due to the popularity of the closed car. Interested spectators are shown gazing at the demonstration.—(Sport and General).



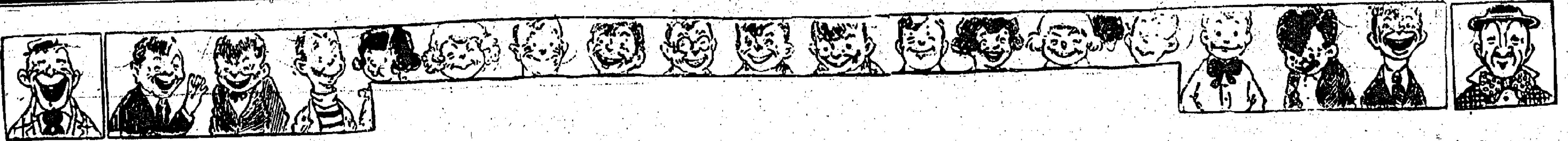
NEW FASHIONS FOR MEN.—The Oxford boat race crew at their quarters at Putney, take great interest in the wireless reports of their practice spins on the river. H. C. Morphet (O.U.B.C. President), leaning on table, and other members seem much amused as they "listen in." Note the unique evening dress—an example of Oxford's well known reputation for sartorial novelties—Thick white flannel trousers, waistcoats to match bound with black silk braid and worn with a black dinner jacket.—(Sport and General).



THE PRINCE'S INTEREST IN THE UNEMPLOYED.—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales inspecting a miners' sample cottage, built on the site adjoining Bush House in the Strand, London, erected by the Miners' Distress Fund. The cottage has been built for erection in villages where employment has been found for any of those from the distressed areas. The Prince will buy the first two built, at a cost of \$161 each. H.R.H. is walking round after having seen the interior.—(Sport and General).



WORLD'S GREATEST SALVING FEAT.—Raising the German Fleet at Scapa Flow, Orkney Isles. Final operations for the raising of the warship "S.M.S. Kaiser" (25,000 tons). Divers coming up from the inside of the "Kaiser" (which is upside down) and washing themselves in the sea after being in the oil from inside the airlocks, built on the bottom of the warship—the only way of entering the vessel.—(Sport and General).



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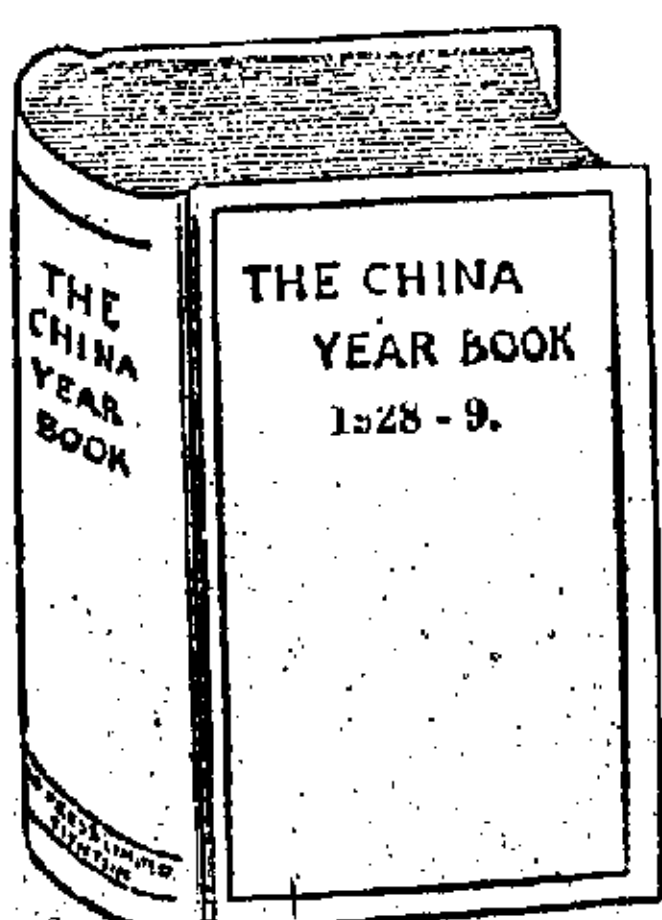
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OUR WEEKLY SERMON

Modern Christianity And Religion

LEADING ANGLICAN VIEWS

Christ's Test of Works, Conduct and Character

As indicated last Saturday in publishing an interesting letter from the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A., on the subject of "Modern Christianity and Religion," we quote to-day from the Editor of "The Modern Churchman" his views under the caption: "If Jesus Is Unhistoric, Can We Still Be Christians?"

Many years ago the writer was cycling in Yorkshire with a distinguished Oxonian, a layman and a churchman, who had taken his two 'First' at Balliol. As we talked of our religion, he said to me: "Whether Jesus Christ lived or not, does not matter to me. I should be a Christian even if it turned out that He had never lived." By this he meant that he should still strive to live in obedience to Christian principles and to worship the Divine Father as revealed in the Gospels. The Christian religion for him consisted in trying to do the will of God in daily life. Profession of belief in the articles of the Creed, mystical communion with the Risen Christ, were no part of the Christian religion as he lived it. I think he was like a large number of educated and uneducated men and women in this country. Now was my friend right—not only in his own case, but for mankind at large?

Should we suffer no real religious loss if it were proved that Jesus Christ had never lived? You will say: What about the Incarnation, the Atonement, the Resurrection? Could we believe in them if Christ had never lived, and are they not essentially Christian doctrines, and should we not be the poorer spiritually if we did not believe in them? Certainly we should be the poorer if we did not believe in the Incarnation, Atonement, and Resurrection, which are essentially Christian doctrines; but it is possible, I think, to believe in the essential truth of each of these doctrines without believing in an historical Jesus. I will not argue that point now, but there is something to be said for it. I would merely remark that we have no difficulty in believing in the profound moral and spiritual truths set forth in the parable of the Prodigal Son because it is parable and not history. But the test of the Christian life is doing the will of God, and would the fact of the discovery that Jesus had never lived affect our conception of the will of God, or the sense of obligation to strive to do it? I think it would not for most thoughtful people.

But would such a life be really entitled to be called Christian? Yes, it would. Christ's test was the test of works; the test of conduct and character: those words of His which ring in our ears, "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say?" "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me." would pass no condemnation on such a life, of which the dominating ideal was obedience to the Divine Will as set forth in the Synoptic Gospels. Such a form of the Christian religion, although its adherents had no belief in an actual historical Jesus, would yet be a great moral and spiritual force in the life of the individual and in the life of humanity at large.

We do well to realize this, for some people speak as though if we lost the historical Jesus to-day we should also lose the Christian religion. I doubt it. We should still have a form of Christian religion which could find its realization in love to God and love to men—the fulfilment of the Two Great Commandments: we could still seek the blessings contained in the Beatitudes: we could still pray the Lord's Prayer. And these, let us not forget, are the very heart of the religion of Jesus. Would it be a small thing, either for ourselves or for mankind, to promote as the ideal of human life the love of God and man? Would it not be within our power, even if there were no historical Jesus, to realize one of the most profound of Christian experiences, as expressed by the writer of I John? We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren.

Professing Christian's Belief

There are a number of professing Christians who think that, if they became convinced that Jesus had no historical existence and was not crucified under Pontius Pilate, they must lapse, and mankind also, into a life uninfluenced by the sense of Christian values and Christian standards of conduct—a life lived in the spirit of the words:

"I lived for myself, I thought of myself. Of myself, and none beside, Just as though Jesus had never lived."

As though He had never died! Such persons would do well to reflect on Lessing's great saying: "Historical truth, which is accidental in its character, can never become the proof of the truths of Reason, which are necessary."

The moral and spiritual ideals of the Christian life cannot be proved absolutely true or false by any alleged historical event. No alleged historical event can prove to us absolutely that we ought to love the Eternal Goodness, that we ought to make the spirit of active unselfish service the governing spirit of our lives. Their proof is of quite another kind. Nevertheless, historical event can confirm our moral convictions and can inspire us to obey them.

When Dostoevsky wrote in "The Brothers Karamazov":

"If Christ be not the Truth, then it were better to have the Christ without the Truth,"

he meant that the inspiring, uplifting power of the Christ of the Gospels is more precious to humanity than historical truth, unless of course that picture be historically true. This seems to be another way of saying that there are truths which may be more precious for humanity than the truth contained in historic facts—truths affirmed by our moral and rational consciousness but not proved in the sphere of historic events. Kant's Categorical Imperative is of this kind. It is expressed in the saying: "Right were right in scorn of consequence"—and not only in scorn of consequence, but also in scorn of precedent—indeed, even if there were no historic facts at all to support it. History assists us faintly to trust the larger hope, but it does not speak to us with the authority of the moral consciousness.

I am not contending that Lessing has expressed the whole truth in his aphorism, but he has expressed a very useful side of it in an age which is vexed by critical questionings arising out of history and science. He who has the faith of the Christian Platonist, or even of Horace's Just Man, is unperturbed by these things. There is need to stress this kind of Christian faith much more to-day, the faith which finds its rest in the eternal and not in the episodic.

Faith That Finds Rest.
To those who maintain that faith needs historic facts, it is well to point out that facts can never so express and give evidence of the objects of faith as to convey to it the certainty it needs.

Yet while I would not vilify reason and conscience, I have no desire to vilify history. In history, as in nature, there is a continuous evolution, and this is the revelation of reason. "If," as Dr. Garvie points out, "there be an all embracing and all directing purpose, historical truths are not accidental, but events having meaning and worth as means to this end." If history does contain such a fact as the personality, and acts, and teaching of Jesus, it is, in view particularly of all that has occurred in human history as a result of that fact, a most significant fact, and furnishes man with a new truth which has an important bearing on the relation of the human to the divine, and so provides us with much to assist the development of the higher life in us, by convincing us that that life has its sanctions not only in our rational and moral consciousness, but also in certain facts in the historical process—facts which add a significance, vividness, and reality to it.

Our English poets, Clough, Browning, and Tennyson, with the serious moral and religious feeling of the Victorians, addressed themselves to various aspects of the problem of the relation of the Jesus of History to the Idea of the Christian Religion. Clough's noble poem, "Easter Day," I. & II. (1847), "Christ is not risen," Browning's "Christmas Eve" and "Easter Day" even nobler, but, noblest of all, Tennyson's "In Memoriam," treat the theme from different angles. But Tennyson, although he wrote his poem before the publication of "The Origin of Species," is the most modern in his ability to do justice to both points of view:

Thou' truths in manhood darkly join,
Deep-seated in our mystic frame,
We yield all blessing to the name
Of Him who made them current coin.

SPECIAL CONSTABLE

INTERESTING PROJECT FOR SHAMEEN

RESIDENTS CHARY

[From Our Canton Correspondent]

The Shameen Municipal Council is endeavouring to raise a Special Constabulary to replace the Shameen Defence Force, which was disbanded last November.

In case of any disturbances the Special Constabulary would serve as a defence force under the command of the Superintendent of the Municipal Police (Captain Clements, who is at present on leave at Home). The force would also assist the Municipality in the event of any coolie or servant strike.

Each man is to be provided with rifle and kit and there will be at least two Lewis gun sections.

Mr. J. Linaker (formerly of Hong Kong) who has been approached by the Council, has kindly agreed to organise the force. There is not a great deal of enthusiasm as yet and only 19 constables have been enrolled. Residents, a number of whom went through the unpleasant affair of 1925 when a large part of the time off from sentry-duty was spent in cleaning drains, paths and septic tanks, and the cooking of their own food, seem chary of trying themselves down, unless some compensation is forthcoming in the way of meals provided and served by the authorities.

"THE DOVER ROAD"

LAST NIGHT OF HONG KONG A.D.C. PRODUCTION

FEW VACANT SEATS

The A.D.C. gave another admirable performance of the Dover Road, at the Theatre Royal last night. There was a much better attendance and among those present were H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., accompanied by his A.D.C.'s and the Hon. Mr. T. H. King (Acting C.S.P.).

Although the A.D.C. Company playing "The Dover Road" have had fairly good houses during their season and audiences have been very appreciative, they have not so far had the pleasure of playing to a full house. Something very near it is coming to them at to-night's performance as up to 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon there were only 37 vacant seats and two boxes available for to-night.

The poster of "The Dover Road" has been greatly admired, so much so, that the A.D.C. have decided to auction in aid of the Miners' Fund, the original drawing which has been very kindly presented by the artist, Lt. Commander A.M. Hughes, R.N. The auctioneer will be Mr. W. A. Hannibal, and the sale will commence immediately on the fall of the curtain after the second act.

MR. C. H. BLASON

SCOUT ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER GOES HOME

VALUED WORK HERE

Mr. C. H. Blason of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, who terminates residence in the Colony since December 26, 1898, left for Home to-day on the s.s. "Naldara."

In 1922 Mr. Blason became Hon. Treasurer of the Boy Scouts Association and last year he was appointed Assistant Commissioner. For a time he was editor of the "Silver Wolf."

Shortly after arriving in the Colony, he joined the "A" Company of the Volunteers under Captain Saunders. During the War Mr. Blason was a Lieutenant in the Corps.

Riding, rowing, walking and photography were among his recreations. He was hon. treasurer of the Hong Kong Boat Club which became amalgamated with the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club of which Mr. Blason was Hon. Treasurer and a member of the site selection committee.

Gymkhana Enthusiasts.
In 1910 Mr. Blason was elected hon. secretary of the Gymkhana Club, being in charge of what are now known as the extra race meetings—until the Gymkhana became unknown at Happy Valley. In 1922 Mr. Blason was Clerk of the Course of the Jockey Club.
The pioneer of Shek O, Mr. Blason has lived there from February, 1921, being there a year and a half before the next resident.
In 1926 Mr. Blason was nominated an Unofficial Justice of the Peace.
His sterling worth and upright character will cause him to be long remembered in Hong Kong. "Whatever Blason undertook he carried out more than conscientiously and unobtrusively," says one who knows him.

JAPAN'S GOLD BAN

FINANCE MINISTER TALKS TO BANKERS

NORMAL NOW RESTORED

Tokyo, To-day.

While recognising the desirability of lifting the gold ban at the earliest opportunity, the Finance Minister, addressing a gathering of leading bankers and financiers, stated that the Government's policy thereon had not changed as it is considered that conditions do not yet warrant action.

Mr. O. Mitsuchi (the Minister), outlining the progress of readjustment since the financial panic in 1927, expressed satisfaction that the position of the banks had almost been restored to normal. Though the yen exchange is down, the Minister is confident that betterment is in sight.

Tsinan Settlement

Mr. Mitsuchi expressed the opinion that Japanese capital, which is at present flowing abroad for investment, will ultimately act as the fundamental factor in restoring exchange, while the Tsinan settlement should likewise assist by bettering trade.

Mr. Hijikata, President of the Bank of Japan, who followed, urged the bankers to do everything possible to bring about the necessary conditions to enable the gold ban to be removed as soon as possible.—Reuter.

BOY SCOUT CHIEF

A JAPANESE DIPLOMAT'S DEATH

HELPED THE RUSSIA TREATY

Tokyo, Yesterday.
Count Shimpei Goto is dead. In an unofficial capacity, he played a leading part in obtaining Japanese diplomatic recognition of the Soviet, personally inviting Adolphe Joffe to Japan in 1923, thereby laying the foundation of the Japan-Soviet Treaty of 1925, for which he was created a Count at the time of the enthronement. He was much interested in the Boy Scout movement, of which he was Chief in Japan.—Reuter.

RECORD SUNSHINE

DRY WEATHER IN COLONY LAST MONTH

WHAT STATISTICS TELL

If last month was abnormally dry, it produced the highest record of sunshine in Hong Kong, for March. According to the returns of the Royal Observatory, 186 hours of sunshine were recorded last month, none being observed on only four days. On six days, however, there were 16 or more hours of sunshine.

On the other hand, the rainfall was very low, the average at the Observatory being 2.893 inches. Returns are:—

	No. of Days	Inch
Botanical Gardens (mid-level)	3	.91
Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett (the Peak) ...	4	.97
Observatory (Kowloon) ..	2	.505
Police station, Tai Po (New Territories) ...	1	.08

The highest temperature last month was 83.1 degrees on the 27th, this also being a record for March in Hong Kong. The lowest was 51.9 on the 4th.

Then, again, the relative humidity for the month, 73 per cent, is the lowest on record for March in Hong Kong.

The lowest reading of the barometer at mean sea level was 29.818 inches at 5 p.m. on the 25th. The maximum gust velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was 36 miles per hour at 3.30 p.m. on the 29th.

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SUNDAY,

21st April,

HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A **GENERAL MEETING** OF **MEMBERS** will be held on **FRIDAY, the 19th APRIL, 1929, at 4.45 p.m.** in the **OFFICES** of the **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**, to nominate a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

Notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their proposers and seconders to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,
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Paris, Yesterday.
M. Pasquier, the Governor-General of Indo-China, who is staying in Batavia, has had, during a one-hour wireless brief conversation with the French officials in Paris, audibility that was perfect through the French Station at Sainte Assise.—Havas.

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CHINA AND JAPAN

PROTECTION OF SHANTUNG
RAILWAY ZONE

NANKING CONFIDENCE

Tokyo, Yesterday.
It seems that the Chinese Nationalists are confident of their ability to guarantee the safety of Japanese residents on the railway zone between Tsinan and Tsingchowfu after the withdrawal of the Japanese troops but not so certain in other parts of Shantung province, therefore they are attempting to persuade Japan to agree either to postpone evacuation or concentrate residents in the safety zone or withdraw them temporarily to Tsingtao.

Japan Insists.
The Japanese Government, however, is insisting that China should uphold its pledges of protection for Japanese lives and property in accordance with the terms of the recent settlement, and appears determined to carry out military evacuation in accordance with schedule.

Discussing the situation, the official spokesman asserted that reports that Japanese civilians were hastily being withdrawn in large numbers owing to apprehension of danger after the departure of the troops were exaggerated, but he admits that some are being withdrawn.

Official Denial.
Nanking, Yesterday.
National official circles deny that they have failed to give a promise of protection of all Japanese lives and property in that part of Shantung under direct control of the National military authorities.—Reuter.

SHANTUNG WAR

GOVERNOR'S OVERTURES TO
REBELS

Tsinan, Yesterday.
Sun Liang-chen, Chairman of the Shantung Provincial Government, has been appointed by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to take full charge of the military and civil rehabilitation of Shantung. He has notified the insurgent leaders that they will be granted full pardon in the event of surrendering to the Provincial Government and holding their troops for re-organization and disarmament.

He has also announced that the Government forces will continue to advance against Chang Tsung-chang's forces until "these rebels are completely exterminated."—Reuter.

BROOM v. PISTOL

EUROPEAN LADY COWS
FOUR ROBBERS

A PLUCKY ACT

Four robbers got into the premises of Mrs. L. A. Rose, at 10 Granville-road yesterday afternoon. They made their way into the amah's quarters and one of them thrust a pistol toward the terrified servant, and another got hold of her throat. The amah shouted out, and this drew the attention of Miss Rose, who was reading a book in the parlour. Miss Rose rushed into the amah's room seized hold of a broomstick, and struck the man with the revolver on the right eye. The man took to his heels, closely followed by his three confederates.

TO-DAY'S RADIO

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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

1.48 p.m.—Weather Report.
5.30-6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese Music. (Victor Records supplied through the courtesy of Music World Co.)

7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m.—Evening Programme. (Victor & H.M.V. Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.)

"Hark! Hark! The Lark" (Schubert).

"Who is Sylvia?" (Schubert).

Boy Soprano, Master E. Lough.

"Sombre Woods" (Lully).

"Down Here" (Brahms), Bass, Manuel Hemingway.

"The Swan."

"Prelude in E Flat, Op. 99."

Organ Solo, Marcel Dupre.

8.20 p.m.—Dance Music.

9.20 p.m.—

"Le Petit Ave Blang" (Ibert).

"Rococo" (Pa. Irgren).

Pianoforte Solo.

Beno Moisevitich.

"Vulcan's Song" (Gounod).

"The Armourer's Song" (De Koven), Bass.

Robert Radford.

"Martha" (Flotow), Selection.

The Regimental Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

9.35 p.m.—Dance Music.

10.15 p.m.—

"By The Blue Hawaiian Waters" (Ketelbey).

"Leave Me Alone," Organ Solo.

"Songs My Mother Taught Me" (Dvorak).

Reginald Foort.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
COLONY

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for April (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follows:—

April	Sunrise	Sunset
13	6.05	6.42
14	6.04	6.43
15	6.03	6.43
16	6.02	6.43
17	6.02	6.44
18	6.01	6.45
19	6.00	6.45
20	6.00	6.46
21	5.59	6.46
22	5.58	6.46
23	5.57	6.46
24	5.57	6.47

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SATISFACTORY REPORT
FOR 1928

The above Bank has published the general balance-sheet and statement of Profit and Loss Account for the year ending December 31, 1928.

The net profit for the year, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, and including £164,846 3s. 3d. brought forward from last account, amount to £415,946 17s. 8d. From this sum has to be deducted £24,000, being the interim dividend of 8 per cent, less income-tax, on the "A," "B" and "C" shares paid in September last.

The Directors have added £30,000 to the reserve fund (raising it to £1,460,000), £15,000 to the officers' pension fund, and written £40,000 off freehold banking premises. They now recommend a final dividend on the "A," "B" and "C" shares of 8 per cent, less income-tax (making 16 per cent for the year), leaving a balance of £102,046 17s. 8d. to be carried forward.

It is with very great regret the Directors have to record the death of their esteemed colleague, Sir David Yule, Bt.

Sir Thomas S. Catto, Bt., has been appointed a seat on the Board. An agency of the Bank has been opened at Ipoh, Perak.

A department of the Bank has been opened for the transaction of trustee and executorship business and, for the purpose of doing such business in the East, The Mercantile Bank of India (Agency), Ltd., has been registered in India.

The following Directors retire by rotation, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election:—Mr. J. M. Kyrie and Sir Thomas S. Catto, Bt.

It will be necessary to appoint auditors. Messrs. Coover Brothers & Co., and Messrs. W. A. Brown & Co., the retiring auditors, offer themselves for re-election.

REPARATIONS

GERMANY'S CREDITORS IN
AGREEMENT

ALL CLAIMS REDUCED?

Paris, Yesterday.
After discussions lasting a week, the creditor members of the Reparations' Experts' Committee reached a complete agreement this evening and will table proposals for a plenary meeting of the Conference to-morrow. It is believed that all the creditors have reduced their claims so as to result in a scale of annuities which represents what the 'credits' consider is the least Germany can fairly be asked to pay.—Reuter.

GOING TO WINDSOR

INTENTIONS ABOUT H.M.
THE KING

KEPT INDOORS BY WEATHER

London, Yesterday.
It is learned from Bognor that H.M. the King will probably leave Craigwell House in the third week in May and go to Windsor, whence he will be able to motor to Buckingham Palace periodically in order to attend to business arising out of the General Election.

The King, for the first time today for nearly a month, was unable to go out of doors owing to a bitter north-east wind and a drizzle.—Reuter.

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From the point of view of local interest, chief importance in the week's events is attached to the jury's verdict in the King Edward Hotel fire inquiry.

The M.C.L. report will arouse the attention of all those who, at any time, have been connected with the movement, and there is the usual quota of "local" news.

In the political sphere, Hankow has been "conquered" by Chiang Kai-shek, and the "Christian General" has caused alarm in Nanking by his mysterious movements. All developments in "China," of first importance, are recorded and, where necessary, explained in the "Overland China Mail." Be sure to get your copy. It is in the familiar green cover.

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Sport Columns

LAWN TENNIS

M. W. LO NEW CHAMPION OF THE COLONY

RUMJAHN OUTPLAYED

Congratulations to M. W. Lo on at last achieving his aim! After a decade of persistent knocking, the championship door was opened to him yesterday, and no sportsman who has followed this year's and previous year's tournament will begrudge him the honour.

Throughout this season's matches Lo has played consistently well. In the final, yesterday, he seemed to be playing to a well thought out plan from which he seldom swerved. He would indulge in bouts of safety play, during which he placed unerringly to the far back-hand corner of the court, wait for a suitable ball, drive it hard and then advance swiftly to the net to make his kill. That was his main plan of attack and it paid him handsomely. He varied it by exploiting a chop shot which kept very low after hitting the ground and sometimes by a sudden swift cross court drive. Credit must be given him for the ease with which he took Rumjahn's hardest shots both on the volley and the rebound, and for the celerity with which he got into position. He made fewer mistakes and lasted better than he did in the semi-final.

Last night Rumjahn was outplayed and out-generalised as completely as he outpointed Lo in the semi-final two years ago. He was neither so accurate nor so aggressive as we now expect him to be. Nevertheless he played many superb shots in his own dashing style, and on many occasions had his opponent guessing. We have him indulge in more hard hitting, but last night Lo seemed to take the hard shots better than he did the soft ones and that doubtless caused Rumjahn to try other tactics. But Rumjahn put far too many shots into the net. His best efforts were swift low drives down the right side line past his opponent's backhand when Lo was near the net.

In the first set Lo had matters pretty much his own way and conceded only one game. In the second set Rumjahn seemed to waken to the knowledge that this was a different Lo from the one he had routed two years ago, and he attacked vigorously. But for every shot he put across the C.R.C. player had a counter, and though Rumjahn played well Lo played better and won the set convincingly.

When Rumjahn won the first game of the third set there were many who, remembering how Lo had tired in his game against Fincher, had hopes that the 1927 champion would pull the game round in his favour. It looked as if these hopes might be realised when he was leading by four games to three. But Lo seemed to have more in reserve yesterday than he had on Tuesday and Rumjahn flattered only to disappoint his numerous admirers.

One of the most remarkable features of a thrilling match was the number of amazing recoveries made by both men. Each contrived to get at and return shots from the most hopeless looking positions. Rumjahn by means of his agility and outness off his mark and Lo by very deft backhand wristwork. In one long volley which ultimately went to Rumjahn, the three gathering was raised to enthusiasm and deservedly cheered both men for the wonderful recoveries they made.

With R. H. B. Hancock in the umpire's chair and Messrs. Phelins and Lucas as line judges the game was excellently controlled.

The Results

The following are the results: Open Singles Championship (final): M. W. Lo beat S. A. Rumjahn 6-1, 6-3, 7-5.

Handicap Singles "A" (final): J. G. Lawrie (owe 3/6) beat J. Barrow (rec. 3/6) 6-0, 6-2, 1-5, 6-3. Mixed Doubles (final): S. E. Green and Miss Heard (owe 15) beat Lieut. Smith and Mrs. Smith (owe 4/6) 6-4, 6-2.

Monday's Games

The following games are down for Monday: Open Doubles Championship (final): S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn (holders) v. J. S. McEneaney and L. Goldman. Handicap Doubles: O. E. C. Martin and H. Owen Hughes (owe 15) v. H. J. Armstrong and J. G. Lawrie (owe 4/6).

SCHOOL SPORTS

KEEN CONTESTS AT CAUSEWAY BAY

FRIENDLY RIVALRY

Favoured by ideal weather conditions and a large turn-out of past pupils and friends, the annual athletic sports of the St. Stephen's College, held yesterday afternoon at the Queen's College ground at Causeway Bay, was in every way a success.

All the events were keenly contested, and some capital results were attained by the younger pupils. Tea was served during the interval on the lawn, and at the conclusion of the race, the Rev. E. K. Quick, headmaster, thanked the helpers and donors of prizes. He also thanked Mr. Crook for placing the ground at their disposal, and hoped that the occasion would arise for the St. Stephen's College to show their appreciation by doing something in return for the Queen's College.

Mrs. Chau Kwah-lam was then asked to distribute the prizes, at the conclusion of which, she was given three lusty cheers and a "tiger".

THE RESULTS

The following were the results of the various events:

Small Boys' Race: 100 Yards.—1, Yip Wing-jim; 2, Au Kwei-sang; 3, Ching Yam-yue.

Mathematic Race:—1, Au Kwei-sang; 2, Lo Kwong-tong.

Egg and Spoon Race:—1, Lo Kwong-tong; 2, Ling Sung-hel.

Three-legged Race:—1, Au Kwei-sang and Yip Wing-jim; 2, Lo Kwong-tong and Lee Tiat-chong.

Junior Championship

100 Yards:—1, Lee Chai; 2, Lan Ting-cheung; 3, Lai Khun-hian.

220 Yards:—1, Lee Chai; 2, Lan Ting-cheung; 3, Lo Ting-on.

440 Yards:—1, Lee Chai; 2, Lan Ting-cheung; 3, Lan Po-wing.

High Jump:—1, Lai Khun-hian; 2, Lee Chai; 3, Lo Ting-nguan.

Long Jump:—1, Lai Khun-hian; 2, Lau Ting-cheung; 3, Lan Ting-nguan.

Hurdles, 220 Yards:—1, Lai Khun-hian; 2, Lee Chai; 3, Lan Ting-cheung.

Senior Championship

100 Yards:—1, Sarkol; 2, Lo Kwong-ting; 3, Leung Kwok-cheung.

220 Yards:—1, Lo Kwong-ting; 2, Sarkol; 3, Lo Kwong-mia.

440 Yards:—1, Lo Kwong-ting; 2, Sarkol; 3, Lo Kwong-mia.

High Jump:—Lo Kwong-ting; 2, Leung Kwok-cheung; 3, Li Hua-kia.

Long Jump:—1, Woo Tin-kit; 2, Chang Tong-moh; 3, Leung Kwok-cheung.

Hurdles—220 Yards

—1, Leung Kwok-cheung; 2, Au Yee-suan.

Open Event

100 Yards:—1, Sarkol; 2, Lo Kwong-mia; 3, Wong Song-tak.

Half Mile:—1, Lee Hua-ngak; 2, Lee Khun-jan; 3, Li Hua-sing.

Three Miles (run ten days ago):—1, Lee Chai; 2, Kwik Choo-beng; 3, Lau Ting-cheung.

Putting the Shot:—1, Sarkol; 2, Lo Kwong-ting; 3, Li Hua-ngak.

220 Yards Old Boys' Race:—1, Koh Beck-bo; 2, Leung Sai-wah; 3, Kwong Wing-kong.

Visitors' Race (440 Yards):—1, Fung Kwok-wah (Wah Yan College); 2, Sian Hang-liak (Mau Sang College).

Kinergarten Race:—1, Vel Sue-on; 2, Tung Sing; 3, Ma Po-chun.

Night School Boys' Race:—1, Li Po-chee; 2, Hui Hung-nun; 3, Lau Sik-kwei.

Two of war:—Won by Form Six. Relay Race:—1, Form Five; 2, Form Six.

Class Championship:—Won by Class Six (69 points). Runner-up, Class Five (67 points).

Junior Cup:—Won by Li Chai. Senior Cup:—Won by Lo Kwong-ting (18 points).

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RACING

ENTRIES FOR NEXT FANLING MEETING

LIST OF HANDICAPS

The following are the entries and handicaps for the next meeting at Fanling:

1. Avoidupolis Stakes. — Once round inside course. For China Ponies that have not won a Steeplechase this season. Catch-weight at 170 lbs.—Charleson, Drake, Fanling Stag, Fire Call, Ideal Stag, May, Ploughman, Sea Hawk, Solitaire, Strathorne, Sunloch, Two Clubs, Why Not. 13 entries.

2. April Handicap.—About 1 1/4 miles on National course. For



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China ponies.—My Lady, 180; Ace of Spades, 175; Two Clubs, 153; Duke of Nieblung, 156; Erin's Isle, 156; Gold Medal, 156; Target, 153; Bronze Idol, 152; Movanager, 150; Craigavad, 148; Caviare, 145; James Pigg, 145; Siang River, 145; Blotting Paper, 140; Six Hundred, 140; Tap Siae, 140; Wowsler, 140. 17 entries.

3. Summer Plate.—About 1 1/4 miles on National course. For China ponies that have started at Kwantai this season.—Winners at Kwantai this season of two races 8 lbs. penalty, of three or more races 14 lbs. penalty. Non-winners allowed 5 lbs.—Ace of Spades, 172; Caviare, 161; Craigavad, 158; Duke of Nieblung, 158; Erin's Isle, 153; Fanling Stag, 153; Honeymoon, 150; James Pigg, 163; Movanager, 155; My Lady, 175; Target, 153; Why Not, 150. 12 entries.

4. The Fanling Champion Steeplechase.—About 2 miles on National course. A Challenge Cup to be held one year and a replica presented to the Winner. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale.—Ace of Spades, 153; Blotting Paper, 155; Bronze Idol, 152; Caviare, 161; Duke of Nieblung, 153; Erin's Isle, 153; Ideal Stag (handicap missing), 153; Montana, 155; My Lady, 161; Sunning, 153; Two Clubs, 153. 11 entries.

5. Summer Consolation Stakes.—About 1 mile on inside course. For China ponies that have never won a steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at Kwantai allowed 5 lbs. Ponies that have not started at Kwantai and have not been placed this season allowed 10 lbs.—Charleson, 139; Drake, 150; Fire Call, 153; Gold Medal,

158; Honeymoon, 145; May, 150; Montana, 155; Ploughman, 145; Sea Hawk, 150; Siang River, 150; Six Hundred, 151; Solitaire, 153; Strathorne, 148; Sunloch, 155; Sunning, 148; Tap Siae, 150; Two Clubs, 153; Wowsler, 148. 13 entries.

HOME FOOTBALL

YESTERDAY'S GAME IN SCOTTISH LEAGUE

HAMILTON v. DUNDEE

London, Yesterday. Playing at Hamilton in the First Division of the Scottish League Hamilton Academicals drew with Dundee—three goals each.—Reuter.

ROWING

INTERPORT REGATTA ON SATURDAY NEXT

(From Our Canton Correspondent)

Canton, Yesterday. The Canton Rowing Club have entered three crews for the forthcoming Regatta to be held under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Saturday, April 20; a Senior Four, a Senior Pair and a Junior Four.

Training has been going on steadily for the past few weeks and a great deal of interest is being taken in the event. The Senior Four; (1) Friessner (Bow), Eckert (2), Frolich (3) and Rasmussen (Stroke)—are the same crew who won a splendid race against the Hong Kong Senior Four in the last Regatta. They are in excellent training and will take a good deal of beating. Rasmussen has been putting them to a very fast stroke, possibly a shade too fast for the rougher water they will have to row in Hong Kong.

The Senior Pair is being taken out of the Senior Four: Frolich (Bow) and Rasmussen (Stroke). In the last Regatta the Canton pair, who had just rowed in a gruelling race in the Fours, were up against a fresh and excellent pair from Hong Kong, Deyhler and Schmidt, the result of which was a foregone conclusion, though nevertheless a good race. The R.H.Y.C. have agreed on April 20, however, to put up a Senior Pair from out the Senior Four, the sportsmanship of which is very much appreciated in rowing circles here, and the result ought to be very interesting.

The Junior Four are still rather unsettled as they have been handicapped by several transfers, but they are slowly settling down. Kiewitz is rowing Bow, Gavin (2), Leynaud (3) and Habicht (Stroke), though there is some discussion as to whether Kiewitz should not stroke and Habicht row Bow. The crew have any amount of grit which counts for a good deal. Unfortunately the C.R.C. cannot raise a Junior Pair.

A Kinross is coxing all three crews. He has had a certain amount of experience, and his lightness will be useful.

DR. HARSTON

DEPARTURE FROM THE COLONY

Dr. Montagu Harston left for home on retirement to-day by the s.s. "Naldara," after a residence of 21 years in the Colony.

Dr. Harston, who won for himself a wide host of friends, only last month retired from the firm of Harston, Black, Balcian and Koch.

158; Honeymoon, 145; May, 150; Montana, 155; Ploughman, 145; Sea Hawk, 150; Siang River, 150; Six Hundred, 151; Solitaire, 153; Strathorne, 148; Sunloch, 155; Sunning, 148; Tap Siae, 150; Two Clubs, 153; Wowsler, 148. 13 entries.

FOOD REFORM

ORIGIN OF NEARLY ALL DISEASES

NATURE'S GUIDE

At a public meeting of the Hong Kong Lodge the Theosophical Society on Thursday, at the Theosophical Hall, Mercantile Bank Building, Mr. H. E. Lane-part, the head of The Theosophical Order of Service in China, gave an address on "Food Reform." He said in brief:

The origin of nearly all diseases that afflict mankind may be traced directly or indirectly to the organs of digestion, the stomach and the intestines. The difficulty, however, lies not with these organs, but with that which is put into them. How can pure, invigorating blood and healthy tissues be expected from decomposing, impure or indigestible food?

Let us be firm in our faith that God has made ample provision for our bodily needs, and that our resorting to cruelty, killing and impure, unlovely food is not in His will. Nature alone knows how to gather from earth and air the properties exactly suited to our requirements. Man must eat Nature's rich and natural foods, or pay for his wrong ways of feeding with ailments of many kinds. Naturally organised foods are those which have grown on mother earth and have extracted from soil and air and sunshine and rain all the properties necessary to build perfect and pure bodies for man. Man destroys the living nutrient principle of these healthy natural foods by divorcing their naturally allied properties trying to improve on them, and in consequence loses his health.

We should look with suspicion upon all manufactured, chemically converted, adulterated, denatured, predigested and preserved foods, as too often they have been robbed of vitamins, mineral salts, cellulose and roughage. Natural man lived on fruit, nuts, vegetables and grains. They are enough. They give health and preserve his teeth, tonsils, appendix and hair. Be simple, eat natural foods as nature prepared them. Beware of white flour, white bread, pastry, white rice, white corn meal, white sugar, preserved fruits and preserved cereals, and all meats, fowl and fish. All animal food is impure, and you are better without it.

Eat not more than four different foods at a meal. Eat little, and only when hungry. Drink not less than ten glasses of clear water a day for cleansing and purification of the system. All this, combined with plenty of fresh air, daily exercise, sufficient sleep and combating all evil thought of others, will keep you happy, fit and well.

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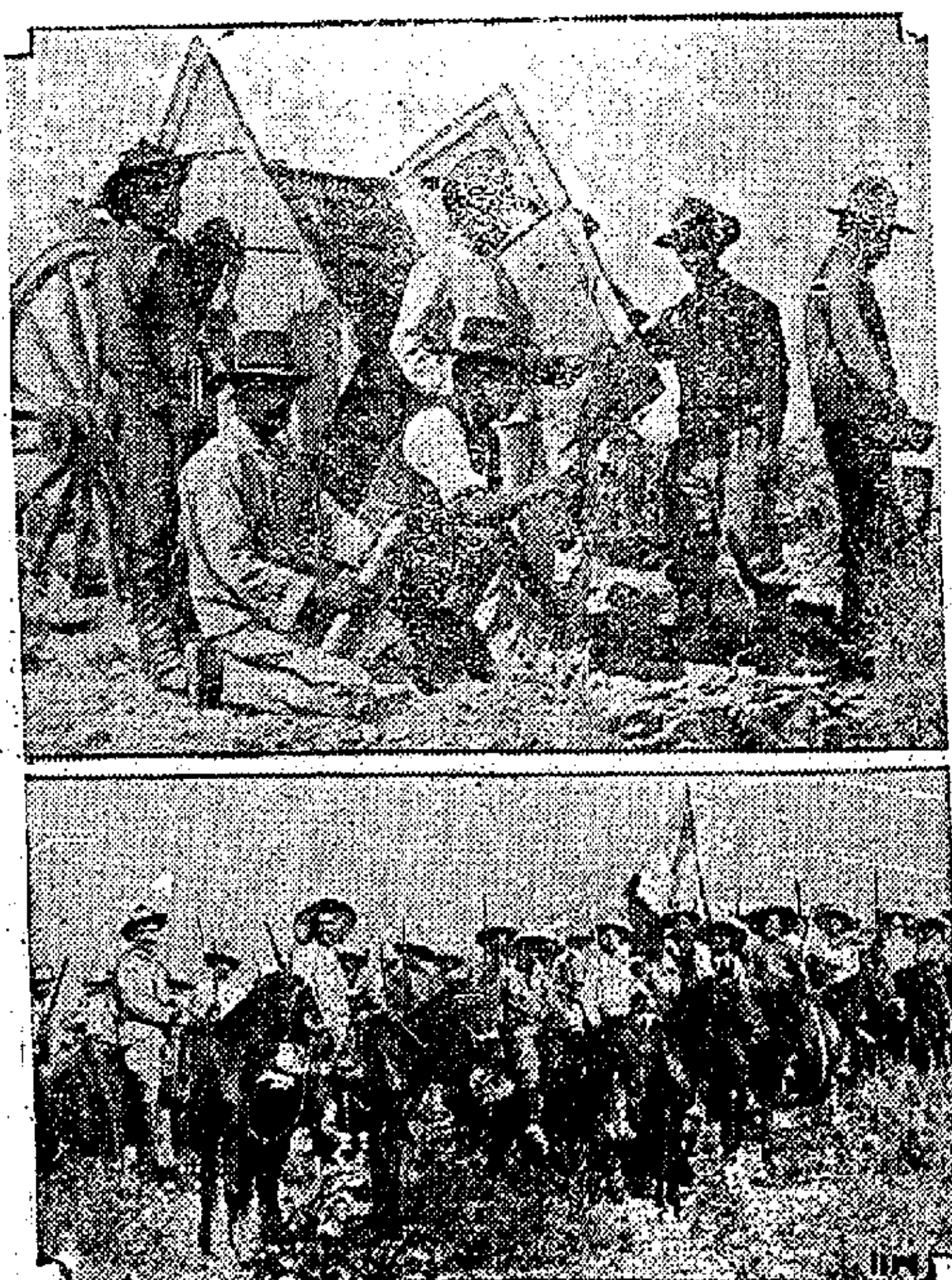
Impending events, including the dissolution of Parliament, formation of a new Government after the General Elections, and the usual address from the throne on the opening of the new Parliament, will throw additional responsibilities on the Prince of Wales.

New Secretary of Agriculture



This is the first snapshot of the Hyde family since Arthur M. Hyde took office as the new Secretary of Agriculture. With the cabinet officer are Mrs. Hyde and their daughter, Caroline Hyde, in Washington, D.C.

They Wrested Monterey from Federals



Upper: It is this type of artillery, manned by regt troops, that was used in the capture of Monterey, third largest city in Mexico, by the revolutionists. According to reports, the rebels were commanded by General Jose Gonzales Escobar, former friend of President Calles. Lower: These are the types of troops who seized the city, which was in turn recaptured by Federals.

"Golden Girl" Divorced



Mrs. Anna Church received her decree of divorce from Frederick Cameron Church, Jan., on charges of failure to provide. Religious differences were the real basis for their troubles.

May Upset Cabinet



Senator Kenneth McKellar, Democrat, of Tennessee, is the father of the Senate resolution directing an investigation of President Hoover's right to hold back the names of Cabinet officers carried over from the previous regime. The decision may affect the status of Secretaries Mellon and Davis, whom Hoover did not submit to the Senate for confirmation.

Oil War



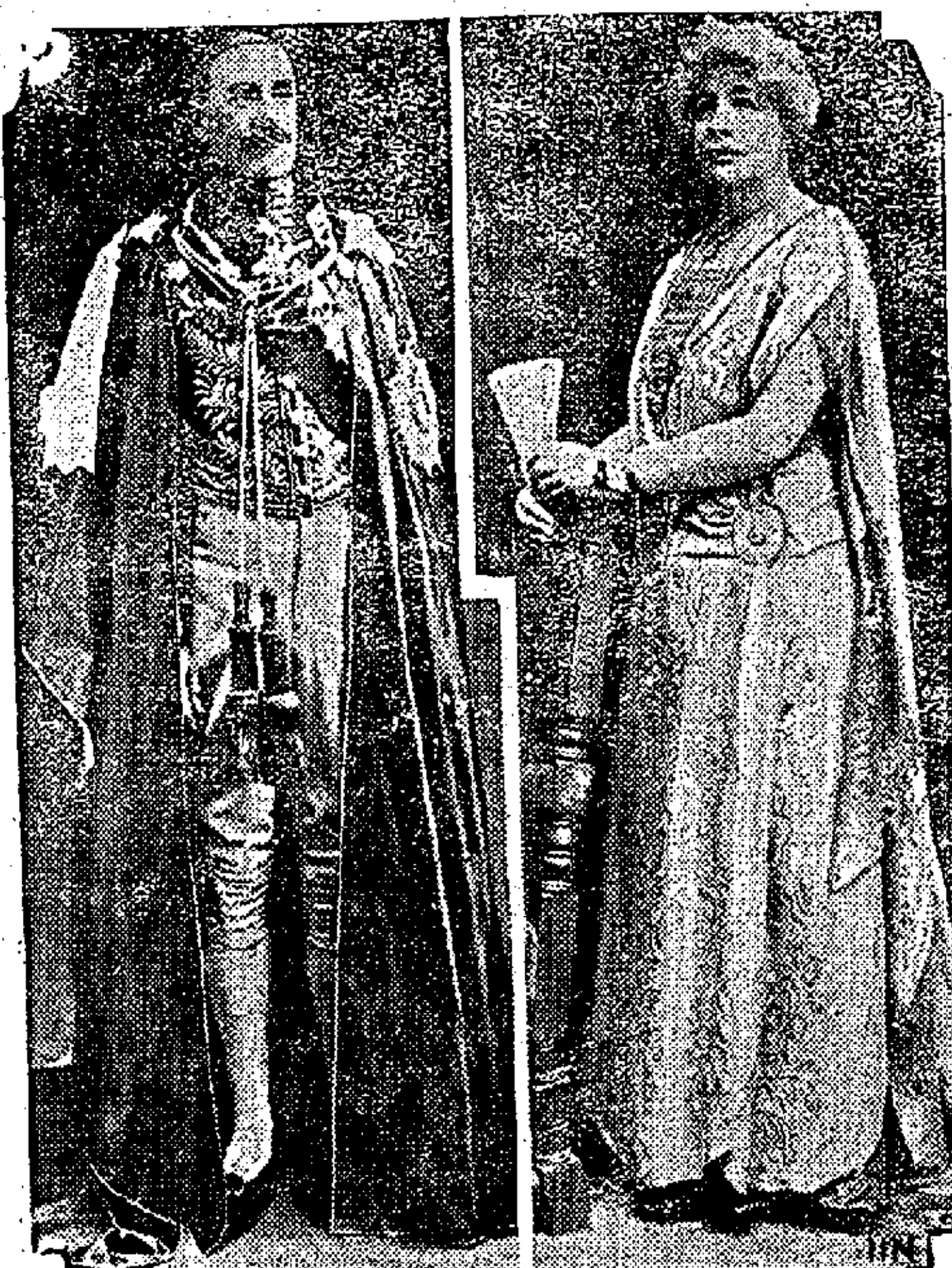
John D. Rockefeller, top, overhauled his opponent, Col. Robert Stewart, in the battle of proxies at Whiting, Indiana, for control of the Standard Oil of Indiana and now Rockefeller's policies will be carried out by E. G. Schert, below, as the Company's President.

Next Viceroy of India?



The Duke of York, second son of King George, is to be the next Viceroy of India, according to reports emanating from Delhi. It is said he will succeed Viceroy Irwin and thus give royal sponsorship to governmental reforms based on Sir John Simon's Commission report. However, there is a question whether the Duke may accept the appointment because of the climate rigours to which his daughter, Princess Elizabeth, may be subjected.

Viceroy in State Regalia



Here are the first photographs of the Right Honourable Viscount Goschen of Hawksbury and his wife, Lady Goschen, in their state robes. His Excellency is at present Governor of Madras, India, but will become acting Viceroy when His Excellency Lord Irwin, Viceroy, returns home for a four months' vacation.

Represents the Irish



The Honourable Michael MacWhite, his wife, and their son Owen, upon their arrival in New York aboard the Cunard liner "Berengaria". As the new Irish Free State Minister to the United States, Mr. MacWhite proceeded immediately to Washington to present his credentials and undertake his diplomatic duties. He took his family with him.

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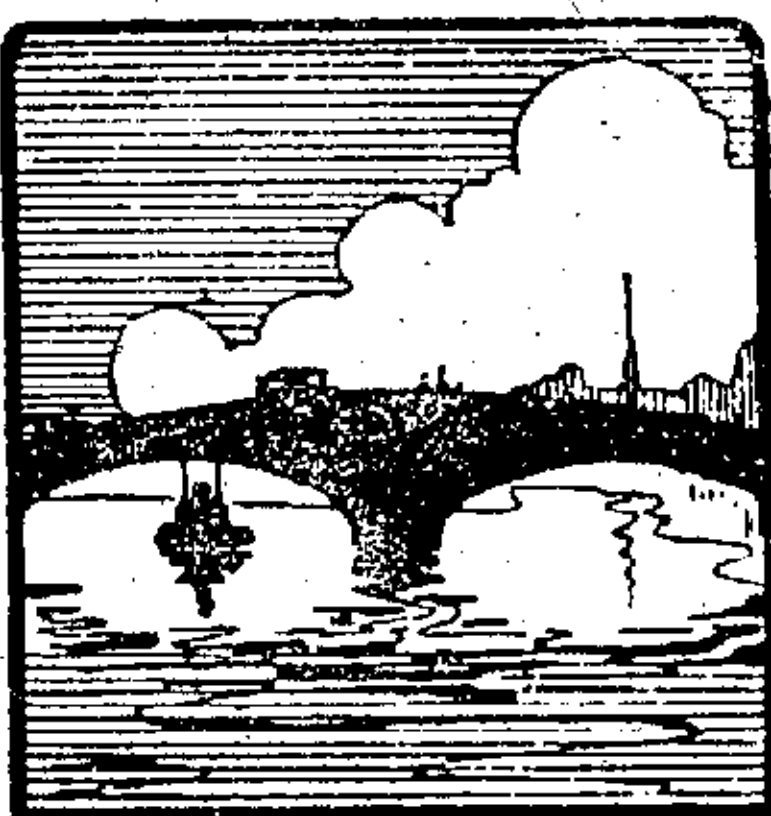
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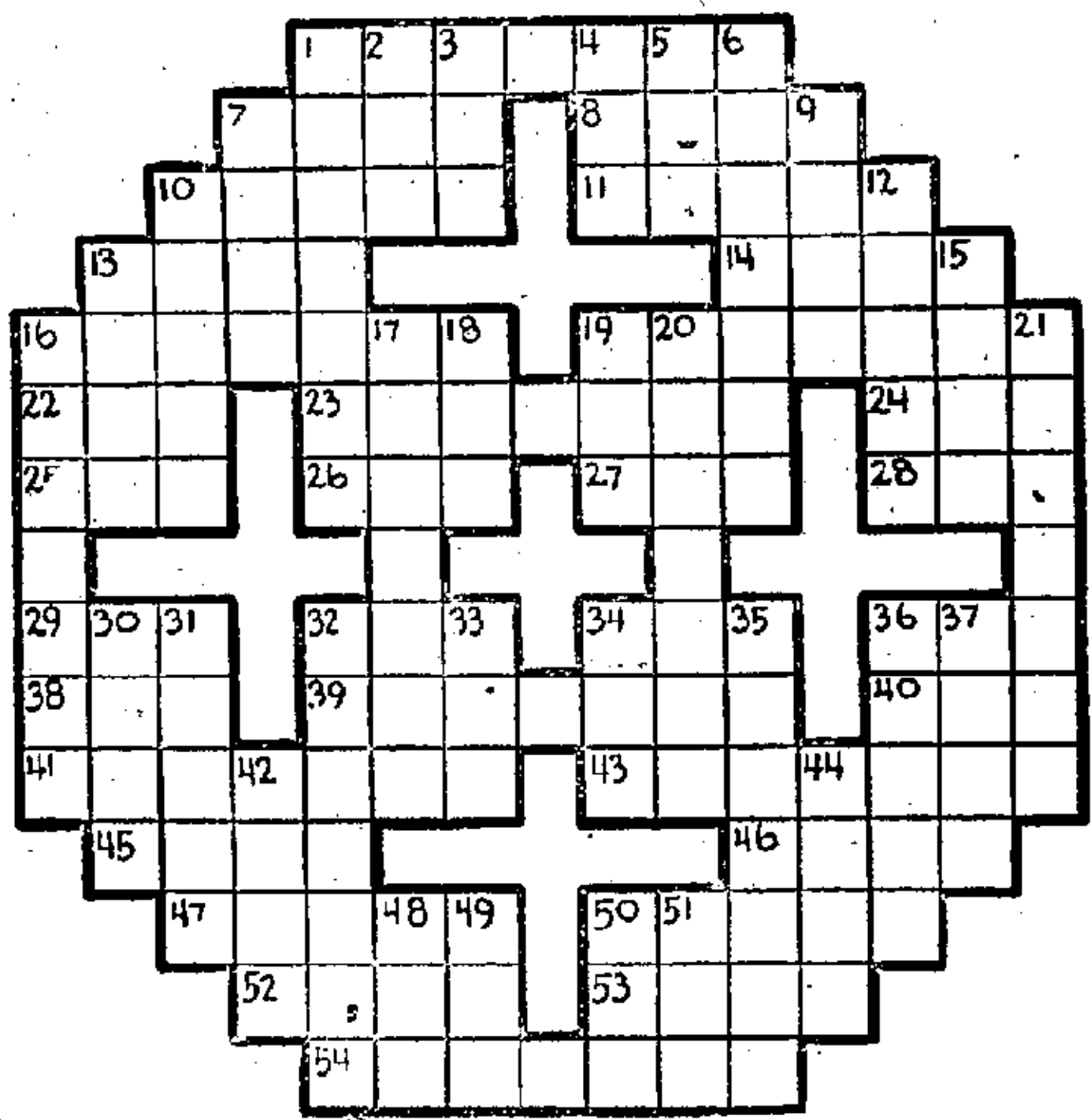
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Not profound
- 7-Begone
- 8-Greek god of war
- 10-Capital of Idaho
- 11-Extinction of life
- 13-Unadulterated
- 14-Retain
- 16-Pressure of necessity
- 19-Indian tent
- 22-Brick-like wooden block in wall
- 23-Forces into difficulty
- 24-Simple song
- 26-Let in Gulf of Mexico
- 26-Naval officer (abbr.)
- 27-Fruit of a tree
- 28-Seniors (abbr.)
- 29-Feminine name
- 32-Floor covering
- 34-Invita
- 35-Article
- 35-Title of respect

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

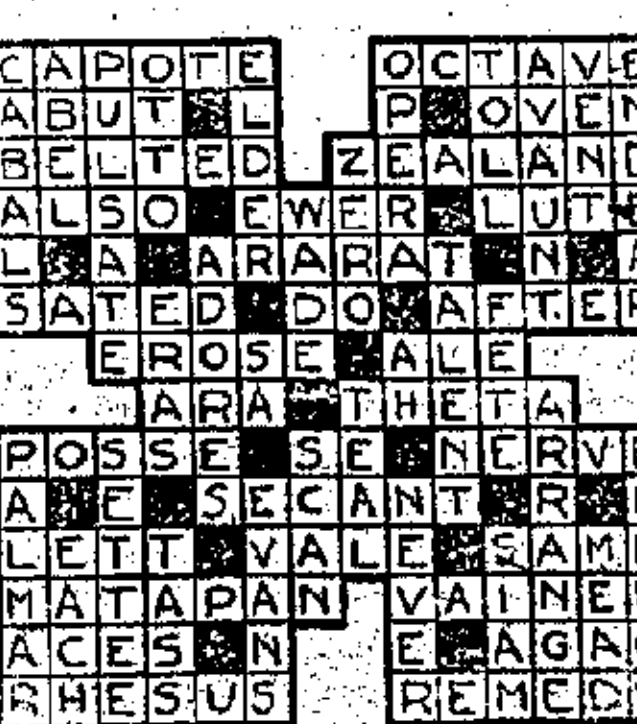
- 39-Rival
- 40-Edge
- 41-Sons of a sovereign
- 43-Traders
- 45-Supporting timber of a ship
- 46-Stratagem
- 47-Low, marshy ground
- 50-Dams up
- 52-Title former ruler of Russia
- 53-Class secured with padlock
- 54-Excuse

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-Late
- 13-Swift sailing vessel
- 15-Fruit
- 16-Unhook
- 17-Spend
- 18-Period of time (abbr.-pl.)
- 19-Half a score
- 20-Scholarly
- 21-Methods
- 30-Dagger
- 31-Constellation
- 32-Refract with a hook
- 33-Short for "Augustus"
- 34-Not good
- 35-Most expensive
- 36-Lock of hair
- 37-Envelop
- 42-Salamander
- 44-Small mass
- 48-Household god
- 49-Sooner than
- 50-Precinct
- 51-Oppress

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will
appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word
puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"MAIL" REVIEWS

OLIVE SCHREINER'S NEW
BOOK

["Undine," by Olive Schreiner,
Ernest Benn, 7/6.]

Olive Schreiner is, to most people, the authoress of one book "The Story of an African Farm," that lovey and pitiful tale of Lyndall, the girl who had the courage to think for herself, and make her own life in the loneliness of the African veldt. The book is a passionate plea to the world to allow women the right to have social and economic standing as rational beings and not only as drudges or as dolls. "I once heard an old man say," cries Lyndall bitterly, "that he never saw intellect help a woman as much as a pretty ankle; and it was the truth A little bitterness,

toil, and fever, Undine at last finds the peace of death.

A Happy Mediate

Like Lyndall, but less effectively because it is said from the man's point of view, and therefore less passionately, the "Piece of Perfection" to whom Undine had given her love, sums up the attitude to women that Olive Schreiner is always working to destroy. "A woman to be womanly should have nothing striking or peculiar about her; she should shun all extremes in manner or mode of expression; she should have no strong views on any subject, especially when they differ from those of her surroundings There is between all extremes a happy mediate, and there a woman should be found. Men may turn to one side or the other. A woman never must." This may seem very out of date, but the mind that thinks in such a way is not extinct yet; and remember that this was written forty years ago by a child of seventeen.

The Horrible Cousin

In spite of the unnecessary heaping of tragedy on tragedy, so often a fatal temptation to the young writer, this book deserves to be read. The character drawing of the women is good; that of the men less convincing, except that of the horrible Cousin Jonathan, with his enormous mouth—a mouth that seemed for ever hungering and seeking after something. The girl who wrote of this man with his "half-angel, half devil" nature had not had only happy experiences, and could see too well into the darkness where a man must stand and make war on his own soul. Sometimes the writing is a little stilted, a little formal, sometimes rather rhetorical and forced, but it is never slovenly, and often admirable. Much of it is alive with passionate feeling, and an artist's observation, burning with the force of a child's imagination, working at white heat to describe and convey to others the tortured self-analysis of the suffering and over-tried heroine. Artistically less perfect in structure and in style than its successor, the novel is none the less remarkable, and is one of the few juvenile works of a famous writer that is to be read for its own sake, apart from mere literary curiosity.

Literary Aspirations



Paul Mellon, son of Secretary of Treasury Andrew Mellon, in spite of his father's millions, wants to carve a literary career for himself. Paul has won several prizes for his work at Yale and wants to be a writer, business seems too calm to him.

A little longing when we are young, a little searching for work, a little passionate striving for room for the exercise of our powers—and then we go with the drove. A woman must march with her regiment. In the end she must be trodden down, or go with it; and if she is wise she goes.

A Ghastly Tragedy

In Undine, written when Olive Schreiner was eighteen, and now published for the first time, may be discerned some of the genius, and some of the material which went to the making of the later and greater work. Undine Bok, daughter of an English Afrikaner, living on a farm on the veldt, is like Waldo in "The Story of an African Farm," imaginative, and morbidly sensitive to reasons of the boaker Calvinistic type, tortured by a sense of sin, and driven into defiance of all accepted beliefs by harsh and unsympathetic treatment. She goes to England, when a ghastly tragedy, the sudden madness of a beautiful and dearly loved aunt, almost causes the child to lose her reason. In time, she recovers from the shock, only to face with a worse; the man whom she loves, and to whom she is engaged, jilts her heartlessly and for no apparent reason, and in the violence of her revulsion against this treatment, she sells herself in marriage to his gross and repulsive old father. Their child, her only comfort, dies in infancy, and soon after the old sensualist dies too. Undine, almost penniless, for she will not touch the money for which she had sold herself, returns to Africa, and goes to the New Rush mines at Kimberley to find work. There, after much difficulty, because she is a woman, she manages to make a living by drudging as a washerwoman, and by her care redeems and saves from death a degenerate and besotted Englishman, sees the man she loves still die, neglected by the pretty and useless wife he had chosen in her place, and worn out by suffering,

BOOK GOSSIP

Clearly, the novel of the moment is "Portrait in a Mirror," by Charles Morgan (Macmillan, 7/6 net). It is the story of a famous painter's early love, and of the effect that love had on his art in after life. Here is pathos, joy and pure-souled idealism written in a style that can best be described as lovely.

Readers who do not like the modern sex novel—whose preference for the old-time love story still lingers—will delight in "Tyroena," by Eden Philpotts (Hutchinson, 7/6 net), written in the author's own clever manner.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 14.

Straits Takada
Straits Katori Maru
Amoy Santhia

MONDAY, APRIL 15.

Shanghai & Amoy Chenan
Straits Jeypore
Manila President Cleveland

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

Shanghai Antenor

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

Straits Namsang

OUTWARD MAILS.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 13.

Straits and Calcutta Yuen Sang
Parcels Apr. 13, Noon
Letters 1 p.m.

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia Asphalion 2.30 p.m.

Java via Batavia Tjikembang 2.30 p.m.

Saigon Prosper 3.30 p.m.

Haiphong Canton 3.30 p.m.

Sam Shui and Wuchow Fook On 4 p.m.

Manila President Madison 4.30 p.m.

Haiphong Francis Garnier 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard Huong Hoi 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru 9 a.m.

Bangkok via Swatow Kaying 9 a.m.

Manila Malayan Prince 9 a.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 15.

Shanghai and Japan Katori Maru 10.30 a.m.

Swatow Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.

Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C. President Cleveland (Due Victoria, B.C., 6th May.)

Parcels Apr. 15, 3 p.m.

Registration 4.15 p.m.

Letters 5 p.m.

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia President Cleveland

Registration Apr. 15, 5 p.m.

Letters 6 p.m.

Manila, Australia & New Zealand, via Thursday Island Change (Due Thursday Island, 27th April.)

Parcels Apr. 15, 5 p.m.

Registration Apr. 16, 9.45 a.m.

Letters 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

Swatow, Amoy and Fookchow Haining 2 p.m.

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LIFE-SAVING GEAR

ADDITION TO THE LOCAL REGULATIONS

LAUNCH OR MOTOR-BOAT

New regulations under table E in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, are announced, together with an amendment. The regulation inserted, to come into force on Oct. 1, 1929, is as follows:—

Every launch or motor boat, when plying or being used as a ferry, shall be equipped with life saving appliances consisting of standard life buoys, standard life belts and standard life-saving rafts sufficient for not less than fifty per cent. of the number of persons the vessel is licensed to carry. The proportion of each of such classes of life-saving appliances shall be determined by the Harbour Master in each case. Every launch or motor boat, when not so plying or being so used, or which does not so ply or which is not so used shall be equipped with life-saving appliances as follows:—

(i) Vessels in Class I shall be equipped with at least 2 standard life buoys, and with standard life belts for not less than fifty per cent. of the number of persons the vessel is licensed to carry.

(ii) Vessels in Class II shall be equipped with at least 4 standard life buoys, and with standard life belts for not less than fifty per cent. of the number of persons the vessel is licensed to carry, also with standard life rafts or buoyant deck seats sufficient to accommodate not less than fifteen per cent. of the said number.

(iii) Vessels in Class III shall be equipped with at least one boat, in such a position that it can be readily got into the water, and with at least 8 standard life buoys, and with standard life belts for not less than fifty per cent. of the number of persons the vessel is licensed to carry, also with standard life rafts or buoyant deck seats to accommodate not less than twenty per cent. of the said number.

Notification

Under authority of Merchant Shipping Ordinance, section 39 subsection 18, vessels are prohibited from mooring to the seawall in Yau-mati typhoon shelter between a position 150 feet to the north of the Government slipway pier where a notice board has been erected, and the Government slipway pier.

DIRECT THREAT TO INDIA

BOMB OUTRAGE

SOME STRAIGHT SPEAKING BY THE VICEROY

"FUTILE AND INSENSATE"

New Delhi, Yesterday. At a joint meeting of the Legislative Assembly and the Council of State the Viceroy announced that in view of Mr. Patel's Public Safety Bill ruling, he was issuing an Ordinance whereby he would assume safety powers to amend the rules in order to prevent a similar interruption of business in future by the President of either Chamber.

Government's Assurance

Through the bomb outrage a direct threat had been levelled against the whole constitutional life of India, therefore he had summoned the two Houses together. Speaking as the head of the Government of India it behooved him to make it abundantly plain that the Government would not be deterred by such futile and insensate acts from the discharge of its evident duty, and would take measures to protect the law-abiding citizens.

He declared that once the gospel of force was admitted as a suitable means for attempted coercion of the Government, there would be no conflict of interest, religious, racial or economic, which it might not be sought to resolve by an appeal to force.

A Ruling Absurd

Dealing with Mr. Patel's ruling, the Viceroy said it would have the practical effect of debarring the Government from asking the Legislature to give it the additional powers it deemed necessary.

The Government recognised that the only appropriate person to interpret in either House the rules under which it worked was the President of the House. If the President's interpretation of the rules gave rise, as now, to a situation in which the Government for grave reason was unable to acquiesce, the only effective remedy was to secure an amendment of the rules, to prevent any recurrence of a similar interruption of normal legislative business.

No Delay

The Viceroy said the Government intended to follow that course without delay in order to secure that progress of legislation should not be prevented by the President in either House, except by virtue of express powers conferred on him by rules or standing orders.

"SOUTHERN CROSS"

REJOICING OVER SAFETY OF FLYERS

POPULAR IDOLS

Sydney, Yesterday. The aeroplane "Canberra," which discovered the crew of the "Southern Cross," wirelessly that their position was thirty miles south of Port George Mission, on a mud flat. A fresh water creek was near them. The streets of Sydney were crowded at lunch time by people eager for further news of the "Southern Cross," rejoicing at the safety of the airmen, who are popular idols.

There is still no news of the airmen Keith Anderson and Hitchcock, who engaged in the search.

A Melbourne message says two Australian Air Force aeroplanes have left for Alice Springs to search for Anderson and Hitchcock.

A message from Broome (Western Australia) says that a steamer is leaving this evening to pick up the "Southern Cross" flyers.

Formidable Task Remains

Sydney, Yesterday.

Though nearly a fortnight's search of the arid bush and sandy wastes of the North of Western Australia by air, land and river has resulted in locating the "Southern Cross," there still remains the formidable task of rescuing Kingsford Smith and his companions. They are near Glenelg River, not far from the sea, west of Wyndham, which is 2,000 miles from Sydney and was to have been the first "hop" towards England.

The stranded quartette will probably be reached by taking a launch as far as Glenelg Point, which is ten miles from the "Southern Cross."

—Reuter.

conferred on him by rules or standing orders.

Speaking with full knowledge of much which he necessarily could not publicly disclose, the Viceroy conceived it imperative that the Government should obtain the powers in the proposed Public Safety Bill. He accordingly had decided without further delay to avail himself of the authority conferred on the Governor General under the Government of India Act, to issue an Ordinance giving the Governor General in Council the powers in question.—Reuter.

[Mr. Patel, President of the Assembly, has ruled that the Public Safety Bill cannot be discussed until after the Meerut trials.]

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NAVAL MOVEMENTS

WHEN "CLEOPATRA" IS DUE AT HOME

H.M.S. "Cleopatra", which arrived this week with drafts from Home for the China Station, is due to leave Hong Kong on April 28 (instead of April 30 as previously stated) and is due at Sheerness on June 12.

H.M.S. "Aphis", a gunboat, arrived at Shanghai yesterday from the Yangtze River.

H.M.S. "Cornflower" and "Magnolia", sloops, exchanged places yesterday, the former going to Chefoo and the latter to Weihai.